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Students gather to listen to a band perform at Dog Days. The day included bands Show-Off, Wank and Goldfinger. An estimated 1,200 to 1,500 people came to the corner of LaHarpe and Franklin streets to enjoy the day sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

Senior Doug Jameson casts his vote for Student Senators. Student Senate worked with faculty and other students on many campus committees, such as Freshman Week and Educator of the Year. One of Senate's biggest issues to tackle was the parking situation on campus.



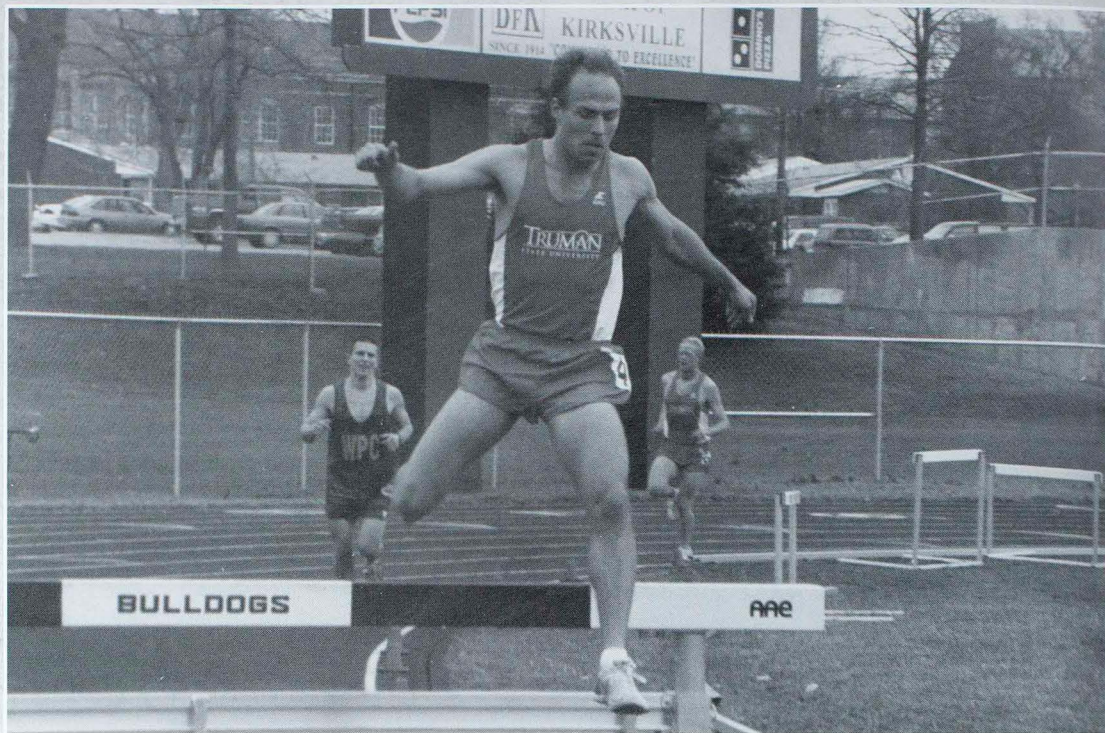
As part of Truman State University's community, we were surrounded daily by decisions and choices-- choices that led to the make-up of our identities as college students. No longer were we sheltered, but we were given the choice to shine as indi-

viduals. Truman allowed us the choice to be a part of hundreds of campus organizations, ranging from religious affiliations to Greek families. Academically, we chose our majors, our views and our classes. College gave us the right and the opportunity to speak out, join forces behind our beliefs and choose our paths. Everyday we faced decisions, some that would affect the rest of our lives and some that simply got us through another day. No matter what choices we made, they affected our peers, and their decisions affected us. We were not alone in anything we did at Truman State University.



Junior Kim Thomas dissects her frog in Physiology class. The class was dissecting the amphibians to study the cardiac muscle and learn the structure of the heart. The class was taught by Mark Wright, assistant professor of biology. (photos by Cheri Heiser)

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Senior Mike Johnson jumps over a water barrier in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the Truman Open. The track meet was the first home meet held at Truman in 21 years. It was also the first meet held on the Kenneth L. Gardner Track. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)

Students check out what campus organizations had to offer at the Activities Fair. Many groups set up booths so students could learn how to get involved. Freshmen found it especially useful in finding out what was available to them at Truman. (photo by Tina Patel)



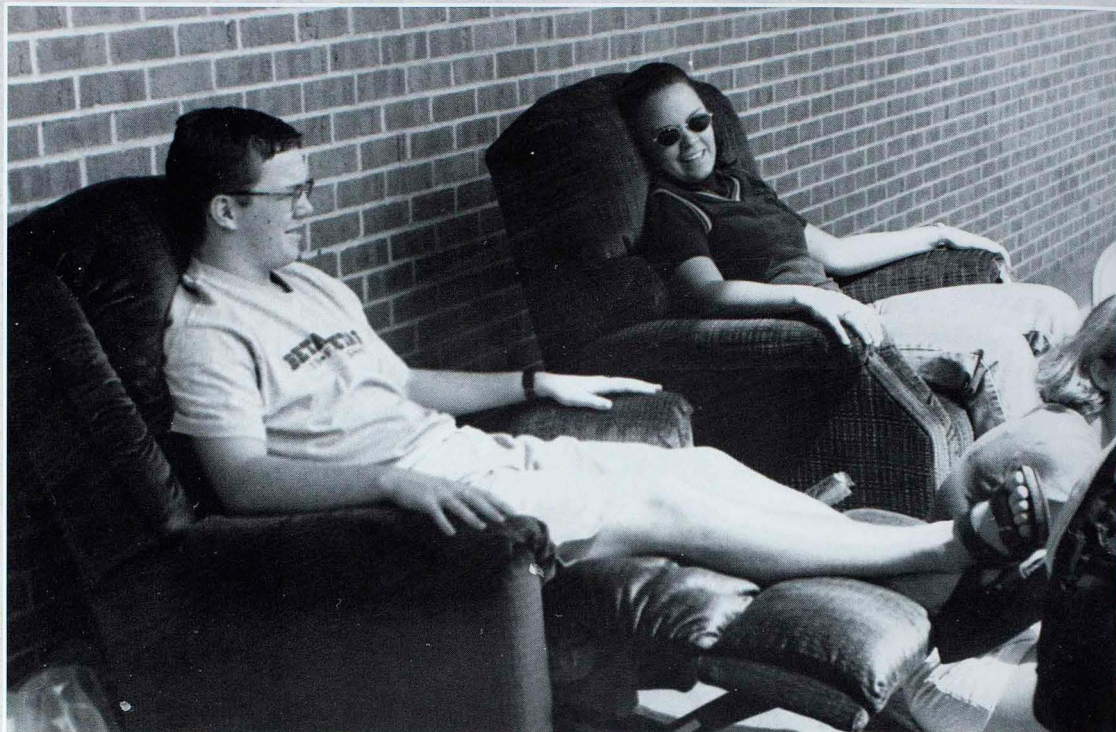
With all the new events and additions to Truman, we had the choice to be in on the excitement. On Aug. 25 the Student Recreation Center had its grand opening. This gave every student at Truman State University the choice to be physi-

cally fit. Many students took advantage of the addition as we saw a constant stream of visitors crossing Franklin Street. In the spring of 1998, a new radio station was created on the 88.7 FM dial. Made possible by past students and faculty, KTRM gave students the chance to be heard across Adair County. In sports, the first Truman Open in 21 years was held as the first meet ever run on the Kenneth L. Gardner Track, an event that brought the home crowd to its feet. Other changes affected the University. Changes were happening at Truman State University. Everyone had the choice to be involved or to sit on the sidelines.



Junior Leo Kirsch sketches on the Quad for a drawing class. Art students had to spend a great deal of time outside the classroom working on projects. They could often be seen carrying large portfolios and supplies around campus. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

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Sophomore Dustin Sollars and senior Tamara Craig sit outside McClain Hall for their part in the Rock-a-thon. Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority sponsored the event to support the Christian Community Clinic. Campus organizations completed thousands of hours of service for local and national philanthropies. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Libby Rowe, instructor of art, gives a student some suggestions as her class meets outside Kirk Memorial. As the weather got warmer, many professors took their classes outdoors to escape the classroom. The warm weather and spring growth provided an appropriate setting for the drawing class. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

We had the chance to expand our knowledge beyond simply studying the books.

On April 4, we had the chance to see Nobel Peace Prize winner F. W. de Klerk speak to a full Baldwin Auditorium. The former South African president

had a lot to say, and we had a lot to ask him.

We learned from each other. As the world continued to spin, we didn't just sit back

and watch the time fly by. We spoke our minds and took a stand. Petitions were

signed in favor of the widening of Highway 63. Some students picketed gas stations

and Patty's University Bookstore. As students, we had the choice and the right

to stand up for what we thought was right. The choices we made directly affected the

University community. That was part of what made Truman so great. We were each

just a small part of a bigger institution, but all of our decisions made a difference.

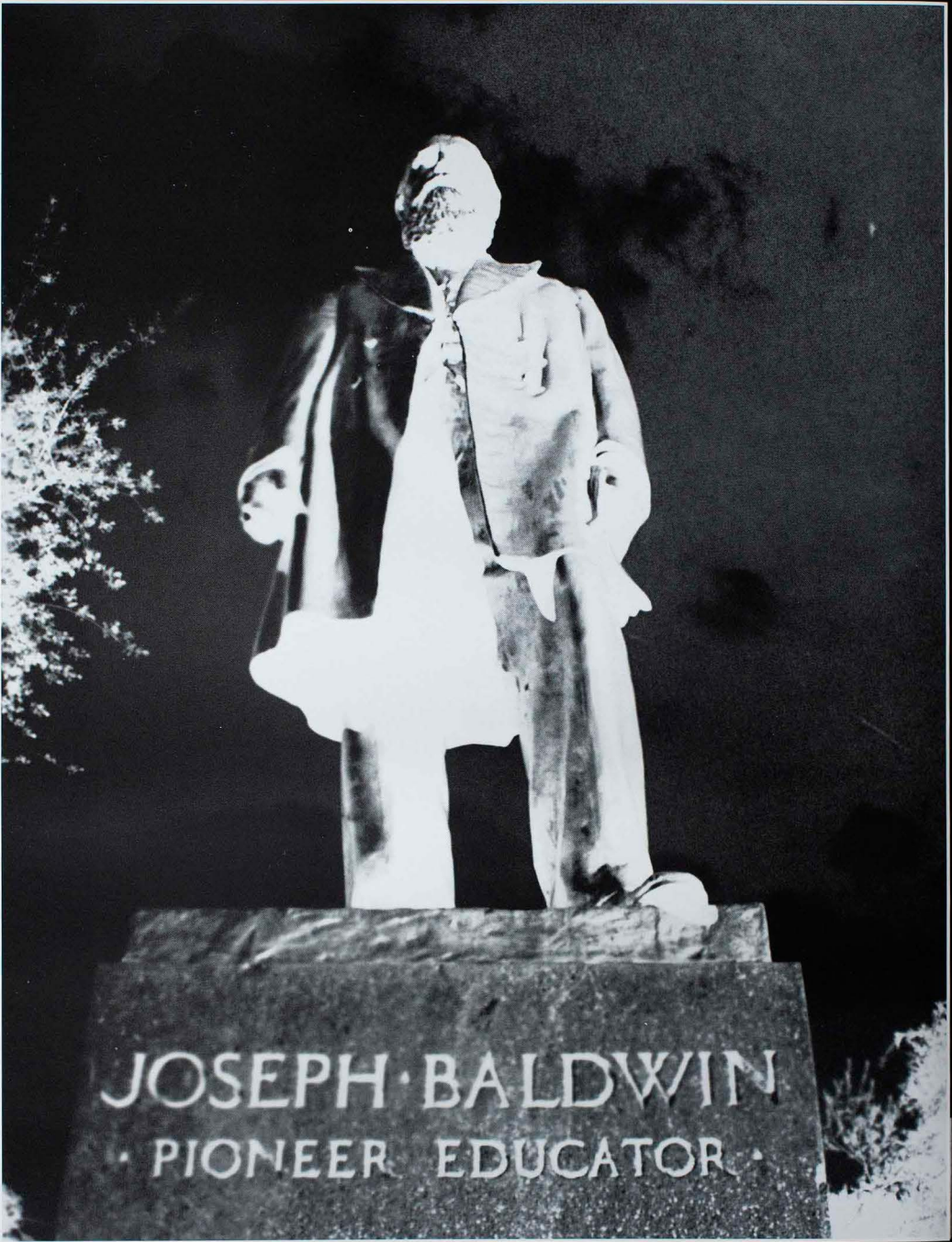
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Members of Greek organizations meet in Kirk Gym for coronation during Greek Week. Fraternities and sororities teamed up to compete against other groups during the week. The theme for Greek Week was Letters of Today, Leaders of Tomorrow. (photo by Linda Reed)

The statue of Joseph Baldwin stands on the Quad facing Kirk Memorial. The building was the location of the old Baldwin Hall, which was destroyed by fire in 1924. Baldwin founded the University as a normal school in 1867.

(photo by Josh Adams)



JOSEPH BALDWIN
PIONEER EDUCATOR

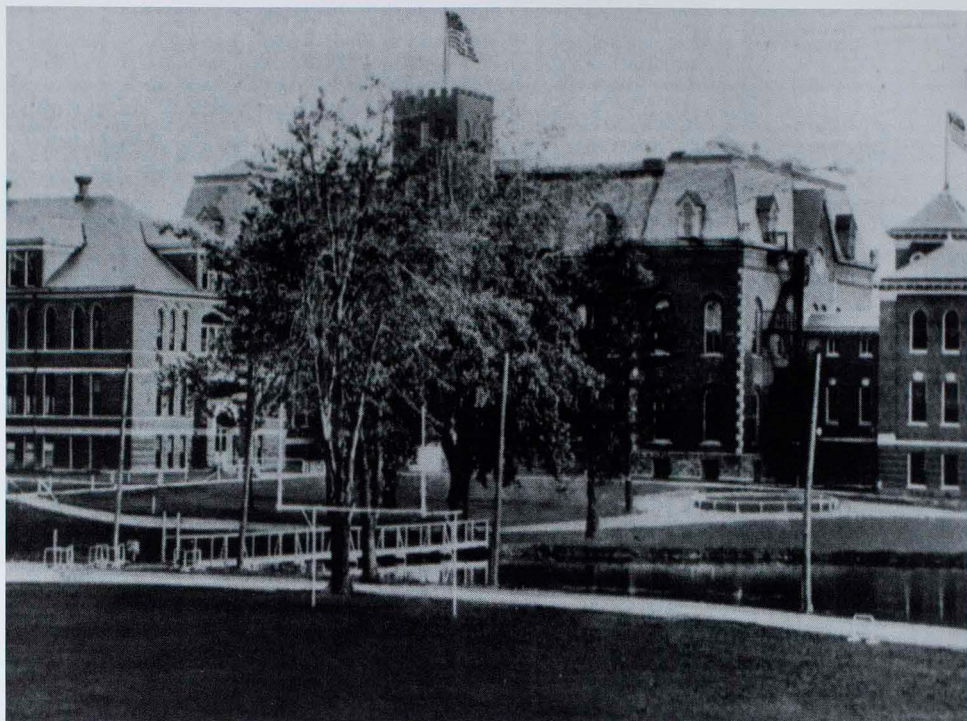
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We chose to focus only on the present or to recognize our past. Our history was part of what made us who we were. Without those who came before us, the school we knew would not have been the same. Each person who had been a part of the University was a part of its story. We looked at the buildings on campus everyday, but only some of us knew the story behind them. They got their names from the leaders that were part of the legacy of Truman State University. We may have questioned why Joseph Baldwin was facing the wrong way, but some of us knew the truth about the fire of 1924. We heard stories about a lake on campus and wondered where it went. The football team competed for the Hickory Stick each year, but only some of us knew the story behind it. We may have wondered how the *Echo*, the *Index* or even Kirksville began. It was hard for us to imagine life without Truman State University. Even though the University went through many name changes, the spirit of Truman State University remained strong in the memories we shared.

your memories

Mini-Mag

The first campus buildings stand near the lake in the early 1900s. The lake was a common place for students to frequent. The footbridge connected the sides of the campus. The lake was lost in 1924 when it was drained to put out the Baldwin Hall fire. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)



Pioneering Education

No one knows for sure why Joseph Baldwin chose Kirksville to build a normal school, but many people's lives changed because of it.

Baldwin was living in Logansport, Ind. and serving as principal of the Cass County Normal School when a relative from Kirksville contacted him. J.J. Grigsby urged Baldwin to come to Kirksville and open a normal school of his own.

Grigsby, along with St. Louis mayor John B. Merwin, convinced Baldwin to come to Kirksville. Baldwin came to Kirksville on Feb. 13, 1867 by railroad and a one-horse buggy.

The next day, he made negotiations for the Cumberland Academy building. It had been used by the Christian Church,

but the owners wanted to use it for school purposes.

Baldwin hired five faculty members. They were Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Ferris and W.P. Nason. He employed the men for a term of ten years at a salary of \$1,000 a year each, but the women's salary was not known.

The school opened for registration on Sept. 2, 1867. It was an interesting group of 140 students, according to Walter H. Ryle's *Centennial History of the North-east Missouri State Teachers College*. Many of the students were veterans of the Civil War. One of Baldwin's chief administration duties was to keep the North and South veterans from creating disturbances.

The school year was divided

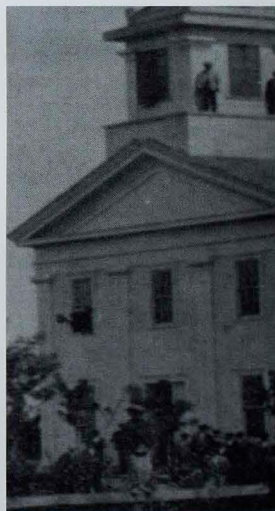
into four terms, and a vacation of one week came between each term. Tuition per term was \$12.50, or \$50 a year. Room and board in a private home cost between \$3 and \$3.50 per week.

The second year, the enrollment grew to 203 students. Baldwin hired six new faculty to meet the school's needs.

The school made \$1,185 the second year, which became Baldwin's salary. The first year it had lost \$315.

Baldwin continued as the school's president until 1881, when he resigned to accept the presidency at Sam Houston Normal Institute at Huntsville, Texas.

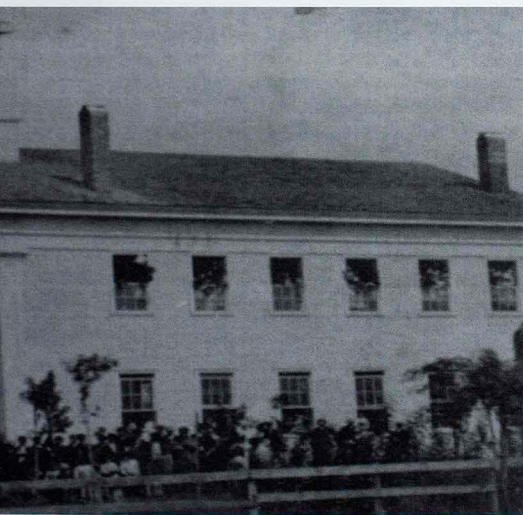
Baldwin began a strong institution, and it continued with his spirit.



The Way it Was...

Names of the University

- 1867 North Missouri Normal School and Commercial College
- 1868 North Missouri Normal School
- 1870 First District Normal School
- 1919 Northeast Missouri State Teachers College
- 1967 Northeast Missouri State College
- 1972 Northeast Missouri State University
- 1996 Truman State University



Cumberland Academy was the original building of the Normal School in 1867. Joseph Baldwin opened the Normal School on Sept. 2 with five faculty members and 140 students. He served as the president until 1881. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)

Leaving Legacies

Baldwin Hall

Baldwin Hall was the only building on campus from 1873 to 1901. The first Baldwin Hall burned down on Jan. 28, 1924. The new Baldwin Hall was dedicated on May 19, 1938; the cost of rebuilding Baldwin Hall was \$207,000. Baldwin Hall was named after Joseph Baldwin, the founder and first president of the University.



Barnett Hall

Barnett Hall was built in 1970. In 1984, an addition to the original building was completed to provide added agricultural and science resources. Another addition was completed in 1993 that included the University's Speech and Hearing Clinic and the Nursing Independent Learning Center. The building was named after Otho L. Barnett, a former professor and division head. Barnett Hall was the only academic building located on the other side of Franklin Street.



Blanton Hall

Blanton Hall was first occupied on Sept. 3, 1949 and, along with Nason Hall, became the first college dormitory. Blanton was originally an all female dorm and housed a dining hall. The building was named after Joseph P. Blanton, who was president of the University from 1882-1891.



The old Baldwin Hall and the lake were considered some of the most attractive features on campus until the fire in 1924.

Students enjoyed spending time near the lake. It was tradition for male students to swim across the lake to pick a lily for their girlfriends. The lake was drained to put out the fire. The Quad stood where the lake was located.

Baldwin Hall was rebuilt in 1938 in a new location. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)



In a Blaze of Glory

Joseph Baldwin was not always facing the wrong way.

The statue on the Quad faced the original Baldwin Hall until its demise in 1924.

At 3:30 p.m. on Jan. 24 of that year, President John R. Kirk discovered the building was on fire. According to *Centennial History of the Northeast Missouri State Teachers College* by Walter H. Ryle, the fire started on the third floor of the east end of the building, but the cause of the fire would never be known.

The building had been considered a fire hazard for a long time. The fire spread quickly and the entire building was soon engulfed in flames. Kirk, head janitor John J. Jack and the rest of the janitorial force worked to fight the fire until the Kirksville fire-

fighting crew arrived. They had to retreat when the heat became unbearable.

The fire engine pumped water from the campus lake, but the fire was so hot the water seemed to turn to steam before it struck the burning wood.

After it was determined that Baldwin Hall could not be saved, efforts were made to save Science Hall on the west and the library on the northeast corner of Baldwin Hall. Science Hall was saved because of a fire door, but the library building was destroyed.

The loss of Baldwin Hall was estimated at \$150,000, of which \$60,000 was covered by insurance.

The lake was drained to put out the fire. The lake was 16 feet

deep in its deepest parts and stocked with carp.

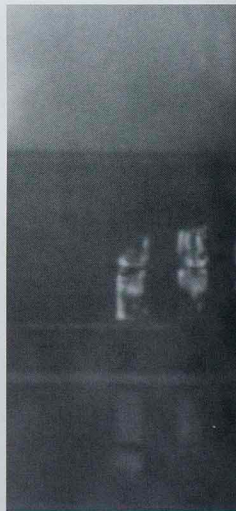
Two bridges were over the lake. One was a footbridge over which the football team would run on their way to the football field. When the playing field was muddy, the players swam across the lake after a game on the way to the locker rooms in Science Hall.

White lilies grew in clusters on the lake. It became tradition for male students to swim across the lake to pick a lily for their girlfriends.

The lake was never a part of the University's campus again.

In the hole left by the basement of Baldwin Hall, the Sunken Garden was created.

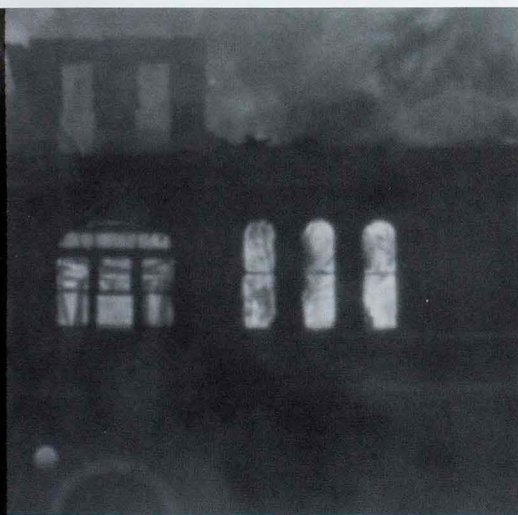
The new Baldwin Hall was built in 1938.



The Way it Was...

Presidents of the University

Joseph Baldwin	1867-1881
William P. Nason	1881-1882
Joseph Blanton	1882-1891
William D. Dobson	1891-1899
John R. Kirk	1899-1925
Eugene Fair	1925-1937
Walter H. Ryle	1937-1967
F. Clark Elkins	1967-1969
Eli F. Mittler	1969-1970
Charles J. McClain	1970-1989
Robert A. Dager	1989-1990
Russell G. Warren	1990-1994
W. Jack Magruder	1994-



The library burns in the fire in 1924. The fire destroyed the library and Baldwin Hall. The insurance on the building and its contents was \$60,000, an estimated one-third of its value. A new library was rebuilt in 1925, but very few books were saved from the old library. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)

Leaving Legacies

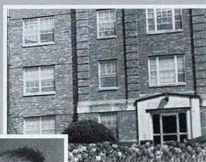
Brewer Hall

Brewer Hall completed the north wing of the Blanton-Nason Halls complex and originally housed 178 men. It later housed sorority members. The building was ready to be occupied in the fall of 1959. Brewer Hall was named for Basil Brewer, who graduated from the University in 1901 at the age of 17. Brewer wrote the words to the school song, "Old Missou," and went on to become a journalist.



Dobson Hall

Dobson Hall was first occupied in the fall of 1961 and was built during the administration of Walter H. Ryle. The dormitory originally housed 484 men, but in the early 1990s,



Dobson offered a co-ed living option. The dorm was named for the fourth president of the College, Dr. W.D. Dobson, who served from 1891 to 1899.

Fair Apartments

Fair Apartments were built in 1958 during the administration of Walter H. Ryle. The thirty-apartment complex was named after Eugene Fair, who served as the sixth president of the University from 1925 to 1937. The apartments housed three students each and were located near Ryle Hall.



Kirksville locals stand outside the Democrat Office in the early days of the town. Kirksville was named after Jesse Kirk, a local tavern owner. The name Kirksville meant "village of churches." (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)



Battles of a Town

Most residents never knew the stories behind the town of Kirksville.

The first settlers arrived in 1829, calling the site "The Cabins." Kirksville was officially chartered as a town in 1857, but got its name in 1841. Mr. Jesse Kirk owned a tavern and his wife was an excellent cook. Three local commissioners stayed there, and after enjoying whiskey and a turkey dinner, they named the town after their hosts. The name Kirksville actually meant village of churches.

One of the most commonly known historical events was the Battle of Kirksville. It was fought Aug. 6, 1862. Two thousand Confederate sympathizers faced 1,000 Union troops. Superior equipment and organization led

to the victory of the federal forces in a bloody battle which won the area for the Union.

In 1918, as the town was recovering from World War I, another killer struck. Spanish influenza caused many people to die from pneumonia in two to five days. No funerals with open caskets were allowed, and people who were sick were quarantined. Places where more than 20 people gathered were closed, including schools and churches.

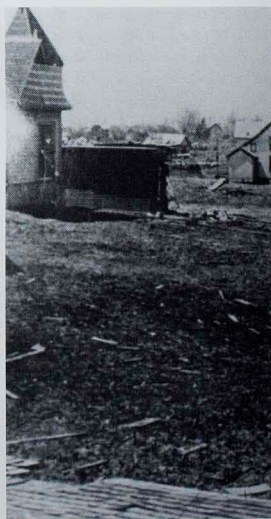
An emergency hospital was set up. The building and supplies were donated and Osteopathic students contributed their time. The first death came in late September, and the school reopened Nov. 20.

Kirksville saloons had a rough road in early years. Local

elections voted them out between 1894 and 1898 and again in 1907 until the federal government lifted the ban on alcohol.

On April 27, 1899, a tornado tore apart the town. It destroyed over forty houses on a path from the southwest to the northeast parts of town. The funnel hit ground at 6:15 p.m., and by the time it left, over 30 were dead.

The Depression hit Kirksville hard. A room was furnished by a local businessman where women set up sewing machines to repair clothes for the 150 schoolchildren who could not attend school for lack of adequate clothing. Later a canning room and garden were added to provide food for the poor. Relief came from federal sources with the passing of the New Deal.



The Way it Was...

Kirksville Population

1860	658
1870	1,471
1880	2,314
1890	3,516
1900	5,966
1910	6,347
1920	7,213
1930	8,293
1940	10,080
1950	11,100
1960	13,123
1970	15,560
1998	17,000



A devastating cyclone in 1899 touched down southwest of what became Truman State University's campus. Its pathway through the eastern part of the city was said to be 600 feet wide. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)

Leaving Legacies

Kirk Building

Kirk Building was originally named the Auditorium-Gymnasium Building and then Kirk Auditorium. It was built during John R. Kirk's administration. The building opened on April 24, 1923. During the administration of Walter H. Ryle, the Board of Regents agreed to change the name to Kirk Building to avoid confusion with the new College Auditorium that was to be completed in 1958. The building was named after John R. Kirk, the fifth president of the University who served from 1899 to 1925.



McClain Hall

McClain Hall was originally called the Administration- Humanities Building when it was completed in the spring of 1977. The building



was rededicated in 1990 for Charles McClain, the University's 10th president.



Nason Hall

Nason Hall, along with Blanton Hall, was the first dormitory on campus. It was originally all female, housing 128 students starting in the fall of 1949. It was connected to Brewer and Blanton Halls by breezeways. The building was named after the second president of the University, William P. Nason, who served from 1881-1882.



The first football team in 1900.

The Normal School played its first intercollegiate game on Nov. 2 against Oaklawn College. The Kirksville team won 72-0. The Hickory Stick became a school football tradition, as the team played Maryville every year, and the winner got to keep the Hickory Stick until the next year. (photo courtesy of Pickler Memorial Library)



Athletic Tradition

Athletics was part of the University from the beginning.

In Joseph Baldwin's first published catalogue of 1868-69, he said, "physical exercises will be held daily in all the departments."

During the first years of the school, ten minutes after 10 a.m. was set aside for calisthenics. The drills were discontinued in the fall of 1899 by President John R. Kirk.

The first gymnasium was completed in 1901, but it was only partially equipped for gymnastic work. In 1905, another gymnasium was completed. One gymnasium was used by men and the other by women.

The first outdoor sport in which students showed much interest was baseball. Games

were confined to teams within the school until 1897, when the Normal School played the American College of Osteopathy at the Kirksville Fairgrounds.

The first field day was held in 1895 at the Kirksville Fairgrounds. It included dashes, shot put, a bicycle race and a faculty dash. Citizens of Kirksville donated prizes for each event.

The Normal School played its first intercollegiate football game in 1900 versus Oaklawn College.

The first known use of the term Bulldog was in 1908, when football coach O.C. Bell used it to refer to his players. It was made the official mascot in 1915.

At the end of the 1930 football season, the president at the State Teachers College in Maryville sent a hickory stick to President

Eugene Fair, after the Bulldogs had beaten the Bearcats 20-7. It was understood that the school winning the game would keep the stick until the following year. The Hickory Stick game became an annual tradition.

The Normal School had no official school colors prior to 1902, when Basil Brewer wrote the song "The Purple and the White." His song was adopted as the official song of the school, and purple and white were made the official school colors.

In 1923, a new Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association was organized. The membership consisted of five teachers colleges: Kirksville, Maryville, Warrensburg, Springfield, and Cape Girardeau. The first conference game was held in 1924.



The Way it Was...

Excerpt from "Old Missou"

by Basil Brewer

"Old Missou" and "Old Missouri."

And Normal Number One,
Fondly cling thee to the mem'ry
Of old "Missouri's Son."

Gladly thee our hearts we tender
By the dim and flick'ring light,
Every lad a proud defender
Of the Purple and the White.

In debates or feats athletic,
The braoder field of life,
Midst the shifting scenes of progress,
Where the fiercest fights are rife,
Taught by many a glorious vict'ry
From many a hard fought fight.
They have learned they have to reckon
With the Purple and the White.



The cheerleaders celebrate at the Homecoming Pep Rally in 1954. Cheerleaders wore the letter K on their uniforms to represent Kirksville. The school was unofficially called Kirksville State Teachers College. (photo from 1955 Echo)

Leaving Legacies

Ophelia Parrish

The building was used as a demonstration building for students to practice their techniques and was designed to house elementary and junior high school students. In 1923 the building was named for Ophelia A. Parrish who served as supervisor of the Practice School from 1899 to 1903 and as head librarian and professor of library economy from 1903 to 1915.



Pershing Building

Pershing Building was built with three wings. The center wing was to house classrooms, offices and the arena. The left wing was to be used to accommodate women's physical education and nurses training, while the right wing would have classrooms and



the natatorium. It was named for alumnus Gen. John J. Pershing, who commanded the American Expeditionary Forces to France during World War I.

Pickler Memorial Library

The library was named after S.M. Pickler, a Kirksville resident and a member of the first class to graduate from the University. Pickler donated \$25,000 to build the library when the University hit a period of delay in the construction. The building was dedicated in 1925.



Christine Rockhold and Ray Raines reign as the *Echo* Queen and King for the 1964 *Echo*. Each year, the yearbook held a royalty competition. The winners were selected by mail from such celebrities as Bob Hope, Ronald Reagan and Norman Rockwell. (photo from 1964 *Echo*)



Power of the Pen

The University had a variety of student publications throughout its history. The *Model School Headlight* was the first student paper created in January 1888; the five issues were published by the students of the Model School. The first student publication with longevity, the *Normal Message*, was created in 1894 and lasted for six years. Before the students had a newspaper, campus news was published through the "Normal Column" in the Kirksville newspapers.

The Zetosophian Literary Society created a 30-page magazine in June 1893. The following year, the society joined with the Senior Literary Society and the Philomathian Society to create the *Sen-zet-phi* magazine that was published in June 1894. Only

one issue was made.

The first yearbook was published in June 1901. Originally titled the *Mnameion*, Greek for the record or remembrance of a person or thing, the book was financed by Olney Bondurant, a prominent member of the Websterian Debating Society. The book was called the *Echo* each year following because it was an echo of education on the campus. The 1934 yearbook was called the *Annual*.

In 1925, the *Echo* started the tradition of sponsoring an *Echo* Queen. In 1949, the *Echo* King was introduced. Royalty were selected based on their appearances. In some years, the queens were chosen by mail by celebrities such as Bob Hope, Ronald Reagan and Norman Rockwell.

This practice was discontinued after 1967.

The first issue of the newspaper was published and distributed in 1909. The *Kirksville Normal School Index* was organized by Mary E. McCool, a postgraduate student. Undergraduate students and faculty formed a committee to establish an all-school newspaper. The first paper was available for a cost of 25 cents and was only four pages.

From 1919 until 1967, Student Senate assumed the responsibility of publishing the paper, and it was edited by journalism students. The paper ran on a weekly publishing schedule. The only time the newspaper published daily was in April of 1919 for a conference of the Northeast Missouri High School.



The Way it Was...

Publication Facts

- ❖ The University newspaper had the names *Kirkville Normal School Index*, *Northeast Missourian*, *Teachers College Index* and the *Index*.
- ❖ The manuscript for the 1924 *Echo* was destroyed in the Baldwin Hall fire.
- ❖ In 1947, Blue Key honor fraternity began producing the University's directory.
- ❖ Eleven issues of the *Normal Message*, a monthly magazine, were created from 1894 to 1900.



Students work to meet their deadline for an issue of the 1941-42 *Index*. The campus newspaper began in 1909. For several years, Student Senate produced the *Index*. (photo from 1942 *Echo*)

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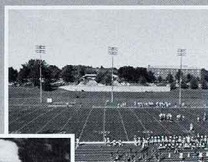
Ryle Hall

Ryle Hall was built during the administration of Walter H. Ryle. The building was first occupied in the fall of 1963 and housed 613 women. The building was named after Walter H. Ryle, who served as the University's seventh president from 1937-1967. Ryle began to house Ryle North and South Colleges in 1988. Ryle remained the only all-female residence hall on campus in the 1990s.



Stokes Stadium

Stokes Stadium was dedicated in a ceremony preceding a Bulldog home football game in 1930. It was engineered by James Stephen Stokes, supervisor of grounds from 1925 to 1950. The stadium was unnamed until after his death in 1951.



Violette Hall

Violette Hall opened in 1965. It was named after Eugene Morrow Violette, one of the great teachers of the University. He served as faculty from 1900 to 1923. Violette founded the Historical Society of Adair County and the Historical Society of the College. He started the campus museum, which was later named for him, and he was largely responsible for creating the *Index*. The building was remodeled and scheduled to reopen in 1998.



Students
gather on
the Quad
to watch a
group
perform
plays by
Shakespeare.

The
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of a
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Shakespeare's
birthday.

Warm
weather
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outdoors
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or just
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(photo by
Josh
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CHOOSE...

College gave us the chance to make our own decisions and investigate new avenues. For most of us, it was our first chance to show our true colors without having to answer to anyone. This included where we chose to worship, how we showcased our talents and how we spent our free time. More than anything, we had the chance to stand up on our own and express ourselves. Several issues were brought up during the course of the year where it became important to express our feelings. Controversial issues included cohabitation, the campus parking situation and campus safety. On the other hand, college brought new and old friends together. The places where we gathered as friends shaped our lives, too. Maybe it was in the residential hall cafeteria, at the local bandfest, at a theater production or on the road to a spring break paradise. Even though we had the chance to go our separate ways, Homecoming brought the entire campus together. No matter what we were part of during our time at Truman State University, "Oh, The Places We Would Go!"

your adventure

Student Life



Freshman Emily Hankins, junior Rachel De Young, and freshmen Claire De Voss and Heather Rasmussen work out on ski machines while watching the basketball game below. The Rec Center gave students a place to work out during the day without interfering with classes or practices in Pershing Building. Free weights, aerobics classes and a track were just some of the facilities available. (photo by Josh Adams)

Students play an intramural volleyball game on one of the Rec Center's four courts. Three of the courts could be separated by retractable screens, all marked for volleyball and basketball. The courts were used for intramural games, special events and students' pick-up games. (photo by Josh Adams)





Perspiration

Rec Center grand opening,
student wins out over campus,
new equipment utilized

The new Student Recreation Center offered students a more convenient location to work out with a wider variety of equipment.

The official grand opening ceremony was held Aug. 25. President Jack Magruder addressed the audience and praised the students on their efforts to build the new facility.

One major problem still faced the Student Recreation Center—the name. Some wanted the name to fully encompass all of its users, but others wanted it to reflect all the work that students put into getting the center opened.

After much consideration of the names, the building committee narrowed the choices to the Student Recreation Center and the Campus Recreation Center.

Director Susan Limestall organized a student advisory board to make the final decision.

"At the September meeting of the building committee, we revisited the issue of the name and it was overwhelmingly voted the Student Recreation Center," Limestall said.

On any given day, the number of people exercising in the building ranged from 750 to 1,000 people. The center was open to faculty and students only.

"We try, but there is no way to do everything for everybody," Limestall said.

Reactions to the Rec Center were positive. Senior Brian Berger said it was a welcome change for students.

"It was much better to use because the athletic teams aren't over there which makes the machinery a lot more accessible," Berger said.

That opinion reflected the idea behind the creation of the Rec Center. Students wanted to be guaranteed a place to exercise. According to Limestall, the original problem of students exercising versus athletic practices would never occur again.

"The idea is that Pershing Building would revert to be supportive of academic as well as athletic needs while the Rec Center would remain open for individual students," Limestall said.

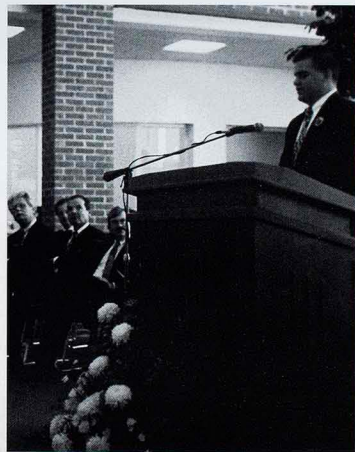
Junior Sabrina Gibbar also found the Rec Center to be more accessible for students wanting to exercise.

"I think the Rec Center is a lot more convenient than Pershing was last year," Gibbar said. "It also has a lot more to offer students."

The Student Recreation Center offered 30 pieces of equipment and machines. Crowning the facility were three 84-foot basketball courts which could be converted into volleyball courts. The Rec Center also contained a multipurpose room.

Most students found the Rec Center worth the wait.

by Adam Gebhardt



Student Senate President Kirk McCarty addresses those in attendance at the Oct. 17 dedication of the Student Recreation Center. The official grand opening of the center was held Aug. 25. The center was dedicated as the Student Recreation Center to reflect the student initiative behind the project. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

P accessories show faith, serve as reminder, reflect inner being, roclaim

"What would Jesus do?" was the most frequently asked question across campus, as students displayed their faith with bracelets of various colors carrying the simple letters, WWJD.

Students displayed their faith in many other ways, such as wearing crosses, sweatshirts and T-shirts. Across campus, one could see the bright colors of the Catholic Newman Center's "We're More Than Just A Church" T-shirts or the unified grays of the Campus Christian Fellowship apparel. Some students even went as far as to wear the clothing attire, the bracelet, and even at times, a cross.

"I own two Newman shirts, a gold cross necklace, a cross ring and a WWJD bracelet," sophomore Tricia Boyle said. "I guess it just helps to remind me how much God is part of my life."

Students were able to easily identify those who attended church services simply by the clothing attire or accessories they wore throughout campus. Often, however, the question would arise as to whether or not the students took what they wore seriously.

"I don't always think about the bracelet I wear, but I find that when I have my hands on the steering wheel and am getting angry I just look at the bracelet and say, 'Tricia, your life is good so calm down,'" Boyle said.

Students who wore the bracelets were often left to second guess their every action, asking "Would Jesus do that?" When it came down to it; however, students had to realize they were only human.

"Just because you wear a WWJD bracelet, it doesn't mean you become superhuman," Boyle said.

Students of the strongest faith were not the only people that would wear signs of faith across campus. Even those who did not share in the Christian faith still found themselves wearing the common signs of faith. Senior Christine Brooks, an atheist, wore a cross that she received as a gift.

"I wear a cross that belonged to my mom and I feel good to show it," Brooks said. "When I see others with crosses, I am more careful of what I say."

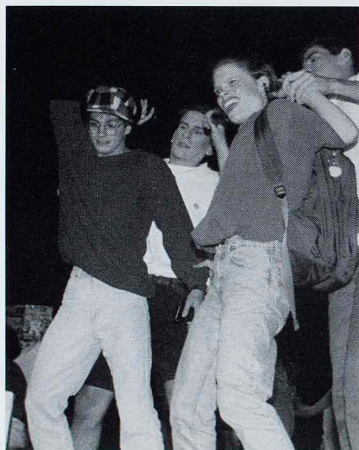
Some students were opposed to the wearing of certain signs of faith believing it was disrespectful. One such sign was clothing apparel that pictured Jesus.

"I believe that someone shouldn't wear a picture of

Jesus that they could get mustard or ketchup on," sophomore Melida Sanderson said. "I mean is ketchup or mustard on a picture of Jesus really that respectful?"

Every person that wore some sign of faith had his/her own special reason for announcing it to the world.

by Jeremy Early

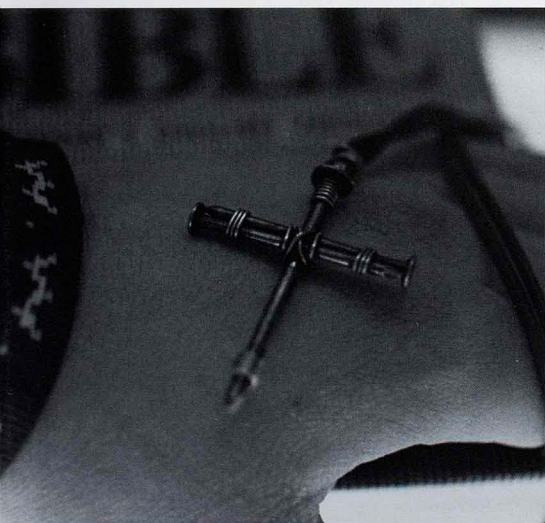


Sophomore Andy Bartek and freshman Ken Hussey struggle with senior Jennifer Odefey and freshman Bill Newton as part of the Newman Center's Homecoming skit. Newmanites participated in many Homecoming events, placing third in the skit competition and first in the Chairman's Cup. Campus religious groups were active in many areas outside of the spiritual realm. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

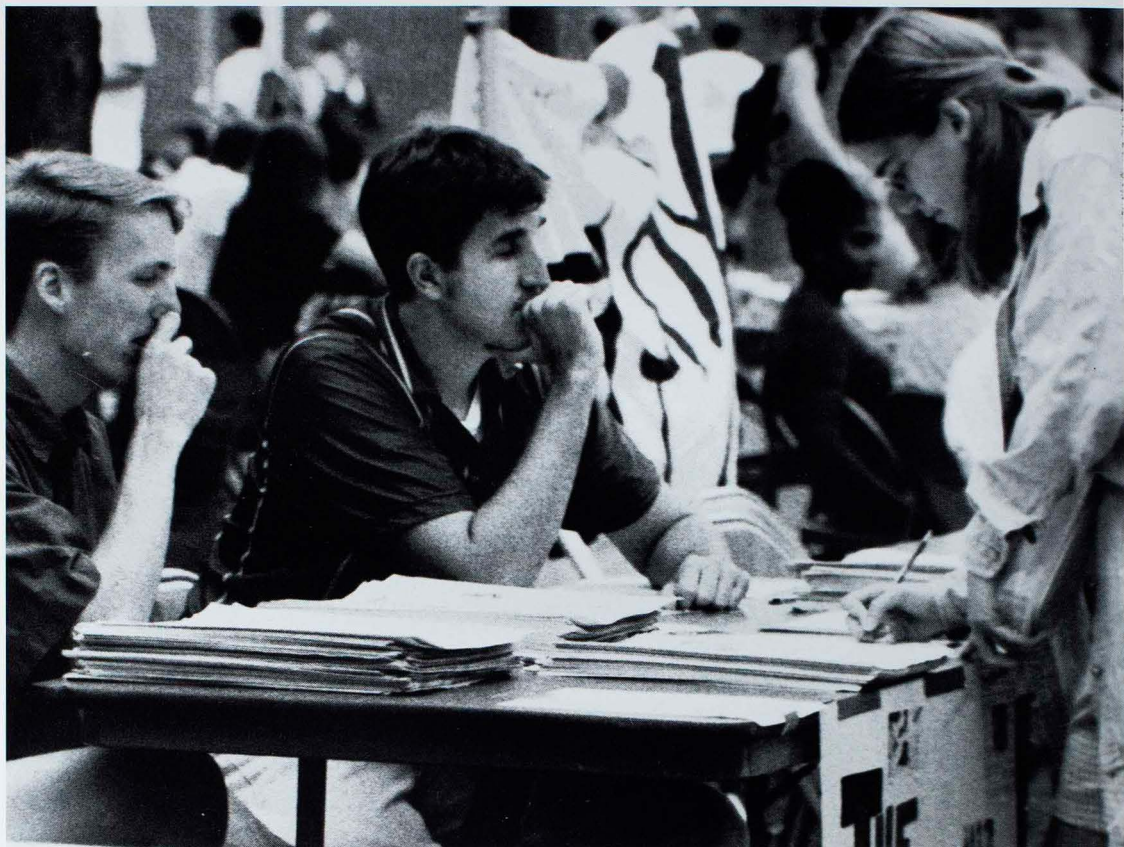




Rob Seimer, Mustafa Sawani, associate professor of economics, and Rev. Dave Maher participate in the Feed Your Soul program as part of the Monday Nights in Ryle series. The panel discussed the principle beliefs that set their religion apart from the others. The panel also discussed the different views of heaven and hell. Part of the program was devoted to answering audience questions. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Symbols of faith served to remind students of their beliefs and were visible signs to others. Crosses and Bibles were more traditional ways for Christians to show their beliefs, and students of other faiths wore symbols of their beliefs. Others chose to show their faith through participation in campus groups with religious affiliations. (photo by Josh Adams)



Graduate student Dave Heaton and senior Steven Grote recruit interested people to be on *The Monitor* staff as senior Stephanie Yaeger waits to sign up. Organizations found the Activities Fair to be an efficient way to get information about their group out to the student body. Many freshmen attended the annual event to get a glimpse of the options available on campus.

Students gather on the Mall for the annual Activities Fair. A variety of booths were set up to inform students about the different activities available on campus. Many booths showcased what organizations had to offer through pamphlets and scrapbooks.





P find a niche discover campus opportunities promote activities . Publicize

It was a day for students to see what Truman State University had to offer and then to celebrate the spirit of Truman.

The Activities Fair, which introduced students to the many organizations on campus, was held Aug. 27 on the Mall. The afternoon's events were sponsored by Cardinal Key and the Campus Activities and Organizations Center. It was part of the second annual Truman Day celebration.

Ninety-six of the more than 200 campus organizations set up booths for the Activities Fair. Students had the opportunity to talk to people from campus groups and obtain some information about each one. Greek, academic, religious, professional and other organizations participated.

Although the Activities Fair was open to everyone, freshmen were most likely to check out the booths.

Freshman Ken Hussey went to the Activities Fair not looking for any specific group.

"I am here to learn how to get involved and be an active member on campus," Hussey said.

Hussey and other students seized the opportunity to check out a variety of groups at one time.

Representatives from the organizations thought the day was a good way to recruit new members and get their group's name out to the rest of the student body.

Junior Janet Noll sat at the Student Missouri State Teachers Association booth for an hour. She told prospective members about an upcoming picnic for the organization and asked them to sign up for more information. Noll thought the Activities Fair was beneficial for new students and for the organizations.

"It is a good idea, especially for freshmen to see what organizations are on campus," Noll said. "Most people wouldn't know who we are otherwise."

Senior Ruth Anne Beutler, Cardinal Key chair of the Activities Fair, said her goal was to let people know what was available on the campus.

"If you are interested in something, there is probably a group on campus devoted to that interest," Beutler said.

The opportunity to celebrate the Truman spirit did not end when the organizations' booths were taken down. Some groups set up another booth in Red Barn Park for the Truman Day celebration. They sponsored games for students to play and win prizes.

Although it was meant to be a day dedicated to Truman, it was a day to focus on campus organizations. Whether soliciting new members, sponsoring a game or just getting their name out, organizations had the opportunity to get noticed by Truman students.



Sophomore Tonya Pearce informs a prospective equestrian team member about the different events hosted by the organization. The Activities Fair, held on Aug. 27, was an excellent way for students to learn about the various organizations on campus. The event was on the Mall and featured nearly 100 campus groups. (photos by Tina Patel)

by Jennifer Odefey

Activities Fair

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To join or not
to join?
Students find
their niche.

Choosing the letters

Rush, bid day, ceremonies and parties all sounded like the glamorous college life, but was it worth the money and the commitment attached to being a member in a sorority or fraternity?

"I personally feel that I get my money's worth; I get so much out of my sisterhood," sophomore Delta Zeta Cara Murphy said. "It is the best thing that I ever invested my time and money in."

Some people chose sororities and fraternities for different reasons. One of the reasons was for a sense of belonging. Incoming freshmen sometimes had a hard time adjusting to college life, but some felt that a sorority or fraternity gave them a place to feel comfortable and meet new people.

Sororities and fraternities were also a great networking system. It was a good way to meet people who had a strong sense of loyalty and were happy to help a fellow member. They also provided an opportunity for leadership and enhanced relationships.

"I get a lot out of my fraternity," Phi Kappa Tau Dan Mailath said. "I get to go to parties and meet all the other people in sororities and fraternities. We also have intramurals, Homecoming and Greek Week. I also feel that I have a brotherhood that will last a lifetime."

Some students joined a sorority or fraternity simply because they wanted to meet new friends.

"I joined to get to know more people," sophomore Sigma Kappa Gail Knaebel said. "I have a lot of fun and

I enjoy everything about it."

Still other people joined because a sorority or fraternity had many activities.

"I joined for social reasons," freshman Joe Gaffney said. "Phi Lambda Chi is a small fraternity with only 40 to 50 members; therefore, there are no cliques, and we have a strong brotherhood."

Not everyone felt the need to join a sorority or fraternity.

Joining a sorority or fraternity required a lot of time and effort. It also took a lot of money to join a sorority or fraternity. Membership dues, clothes and party favors were just a few of the many expenses.

There were a lot of other organizations that students could join, though.

Service fraternities such as Alpha Phi Omega and service sororities such as Alpha Sigma Gamma and Tau Lambda Sigma offered an alternative for many students.

"I did not join a fraternity because it would take time away from other activities," freshman Ken Lederle said.

Some people did not join a sorority or fraternity because their friends were not joining.

"I did not join a sorority because most of my friends were not part of sororities, and I didn't think it was something that I needed to do to fulfill my college experience," senior Jennifer Smith said.

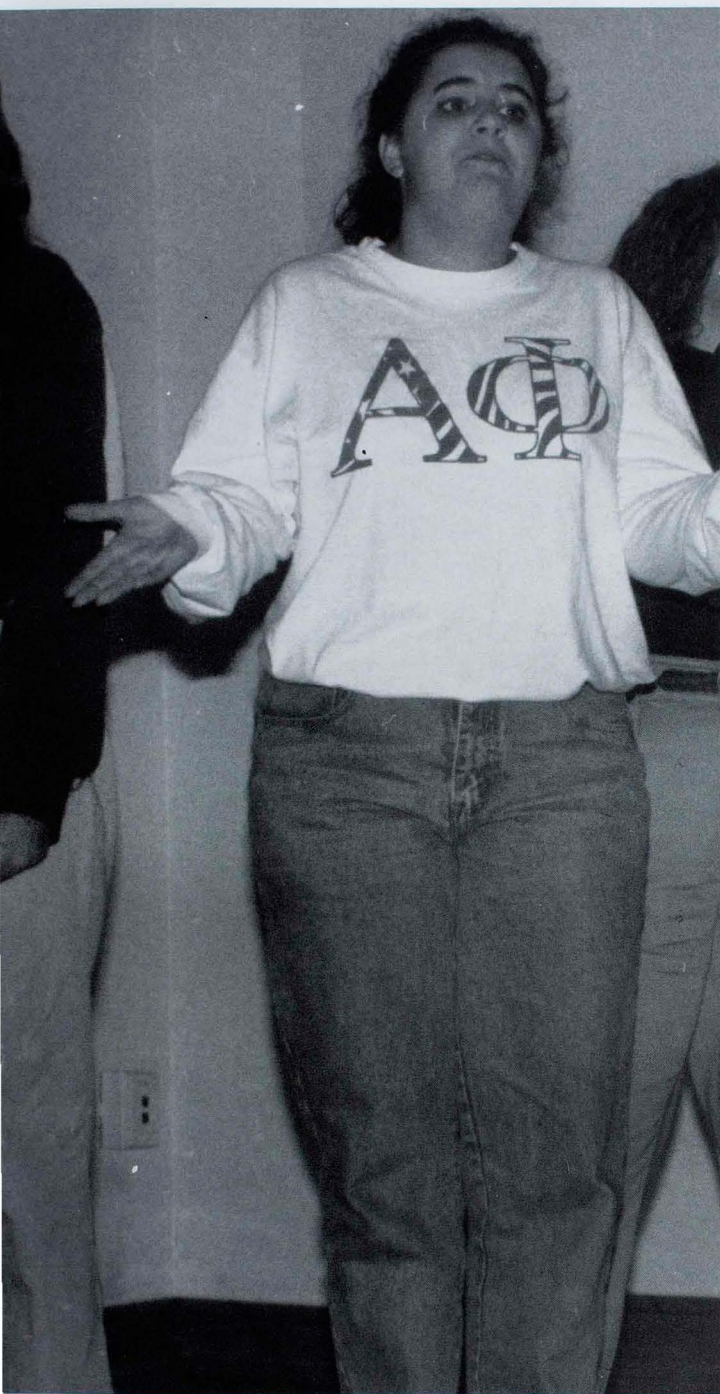
Truman provided plenty of opportunities to become involved, whether a student was Greek or not.

by Jeri Munsterman



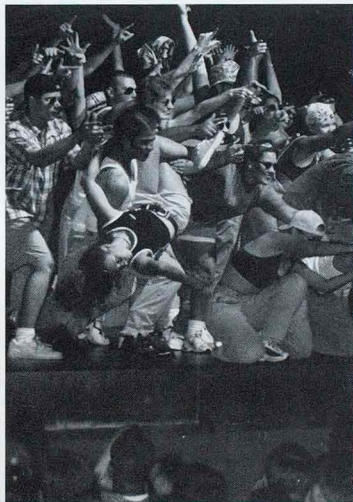
Students participate in an intramural flag football game. Intramurals were a fun way for students to meet people and become involved. Many students participated in intramurals not only to meet people, but also to stay in shape. (photo by Hemal Patel)





THE DECIDING Factors

- Seventy percent of Truman students were non-Greek.
- Over 5 percent of the female population belonged to Alpha Sigma Gamma service sorority.
- There were seven social sororities in the Panhellenic Council.
- There were 15 fraternities in the Interfraternity Council.

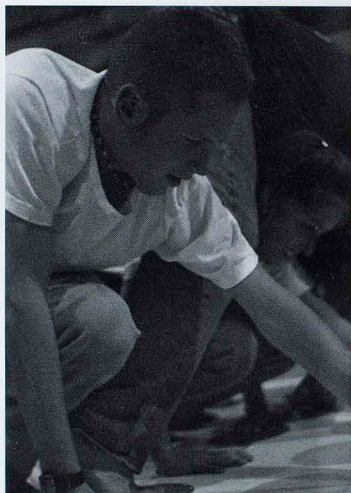


The women of Alpha Sigma Gamma service sorority and the men of Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity perform their routine for the lip sync competition during Homecoming Week. The summer-themed act showcased the groups' dancing and creative talent. Non-Greek organizations, such as Missouri Hall, participated in the contest as well. (photo by Josh Adams).

The women of Alpha Phi social sorority show their spirit by participating in Homecoming karaoke. Homecoming events gave all students a chance to participate, regardless of their affiliations. Events for the week allowed campus organizations to compete against one another. (photo by Hemal Patel)

DECIDING factors

- All 1,050 available tickets were given out for both the lip sync and skit competitions.
- The Chairman's Cup winners were Catholic Newman Center (small group) and Alpha Sigma Alpha (large group).
- Over 600 Homecoming T-shirts and sweatshirts were sold.
- The Bulldogs defeated University of Missouri-Rolla 57-6.



Truman students participate in the Twister Tournament sponsored by Psi Chi as part of the Homecoming festivities. Many campus groups sponsored events such as a Trivial Pursuit Tournament, a 5K run and a chili cook-off. Although these groups may have sponsored events, at least two Homecoming Committee members attended each event to make sure it went smoothly. (photo by Tina Patel)

Senior Heidy Williford and junior Rachel Hack of the Homecoming Committee pass out tickets for the skit and lip sync competitions as sophomore Shauna McClinton interviews them for a television class. The Homecoming Committee began planning for the week's events in April of 1996. The committee communicated with each other over the summer and met three times a week beginning in September. (photo by Jennifer Odefey)



Committee's
planning
resulted in
Homecoming
success

Key found in dedication

Many students took time out of their busy schedules to practice for Homecoming events, but one group dedicated more time than any other organization on campus.

The 1997 Homecoming Committee put approximately six months of research and preparation into the week-long event. Each member of the six-person committee went through an application process in March 1996. The committee was chosen by alumni, past committee members and the Campus Activities and Organization Center.

Members of the committee were Caroline Horn, chairperson; Heidy Williford and Rachel Hack, co-events coordinators; Laura Booth and Christine Carlson; co-publicity coordinators; and Heather Grimes, awards coordinator.

The committee held its first organizational meeting in April 1996. During the summer months, it continued to correspond and share ideas for the October events. When classes began in September, the committee met three times a week until Homecoming Week.

The committee coordinated all the individual events, even though separate organizations sponsored them.

"I still go to classes, but a lot of time is committed to coordinating the events," Williford said. "At least two representatives from the committee are at every event."

At the beginning, the committee had to start with

designing a theme. The members chose the theme, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" to represent the students, faculty and alumni.

"We thought it would be something we could interpret in many ways," Grimes said.

Carlson felt the theme represented that the University was going places with its name and still developing as a school.

"A lot of people think Homecoming is just for the students, but it's not," she said. "We can see where alumni have gone also."

Williford called the committee members her new best friends because of all the time they spent together working on the event.

"Everything has gone well considering the huge responsibilities and things we had to learn how to do and work together," she said. "These people will be considered friends forever."

Committee members also served as a support team.

"We had to be each others friends and step away from our organizations to remain neutral during the competitions," Grimes said.

Even though the committee centered their lives around the planning of Homecoming for many months, it was an experience to remember.

"I recommend anyone to do it even though it's stressful," Williford said. "Once it's all over, I'll miss it."

by Jill Snitker



This float, created by members of Phi Lambda Chi and Phi Sigma Kappa social fraternities and Alpha Phi social sorority, impressed the crowd during the Homecoming Parade. The groups' float, with moving characters, earned them first place in the float competition. Blue Key National Honor fraternity sponsored the parade which featured both campus and community entries. (photo by Hemal Patel)




Members of the opposite sex were not permitted to sleep in the same room after Quiet Hours began. To be documented for cohabitation, a resident had to be caught in the act. The cohabitation policy also applied to common areas such as lounges and lobbies.

University policy specifically addresses the issue of cohabitation. Visitation was allowed 24 hours a day, but members of the opposite sex sleeping in the same room was against University policy. Many times, enforcing the cohabitation policy was difficult.

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policy draws questions, roommate relationships eased, difficulty in enforcement Sleeping?

Yes, there was a reason for the cohabitation policy at Truman.

According to Jason Haxton, director of residential living, there had always been a cohabitation policy on campus, yet some students didn't understand why. Many students defined cohabitation as a member of the opposite sex sleeping in one's room. By that definition, students believed they were not breaking the policy as long as they were awake.

"At the point when someone goes to sleep, the visitation is over," Haxton said. "So I guess the visitation has to do with, which is what our policy is about, socializing together. This requires that both of them be awake, which in our opinion includes clothed and visiting, studying or doing some other activity."

Cohabitation offenders could go unnoticed. Kari Jo Kleinhans, director of Centennial Hall, noted that unless residents were being rowdy or loud, they most likely would not be reprimanded.

"It's not something that you really catch people doing," Kleinhans said.

Residential Living was more than aware that some people disobeyed the policy.

"I know that on occasion there are students who sleep with the opposite sex in their room," Haxton said. "We do not permit it; we do not want it, but we've got 3,000 students here, and I'm guessing it happens. We don't turn a blind eye to it, and we don't ignore it, but I guess it happens."

The most important reason for the cohabitation policy was to ease the relationship between roommates where a resident might have to deal with his/her roommate's visitor.

"It would be a different scenario if students had private rooms," Haxton said.

Sophomore Mary Nutter, a student adviser in Centennial Hall, described the procedures if someone broke the policy.

"We would document the situation and after that point in time, we would write a formal report," she said. "The hall director should be notified about it then, but the case would go before the Judicial Board."

The J-board consisted of the student's peers from his/her hall. The J-board would hear the case and then pass a sanction. Kleinhans said the J-board had taken an educational approach with its sanctions. If a student was caught a second time in violation of the policy, he/she may have to meet with the dean of judicial affairs and possibly be evicted.

Even though students weren't always caught violating the policy, Residential Living considered it a heavy crime.

by Tammy Morris



When Quiet Hours began each night in the dormitories, residents had to sign in their guests with a night monitor. Residents were responsible for all visitors they brought into the halls. Night monitors ensured that all guests were accounted for and that no uninvited people entered the residence halls in the evenings. (photos by Josh Adams)

music and theater unite, culture brought to campus, *Die Fledermaus* brings in laughs operetta

Seventy-five students from the theater and music departments came together to perform a story of deception, intrigue and revenge.

On Feb. 12, 14 and 15, the Fine Arts Division performed *Die Fledermaus*, an operetta by Johann Strauss.

An operetta differed from an opera in that it integrated dialogue with operatic music. *Die Fledermaus* was written in 1875, but director Lee Orchard advanced the setting to the 1930s.

Jacqueline Collett, associate professor of music, helped prepare the soloists for the operetta. She said *Die Fledermaus* was chosen for several reasons. It was in English and a comedy, and it had appropriate parts for college students.

The students involved in the production put in a lot of time and energy into making the show a success.

Senior Tricia Audrain sang in the chorus and felt all the hard work was worth it. As a music major she enjoyed the opportunity to meet and work with theater students. She thought students of both disciplines benefited from working together.

Audrain said Orchard wanted everyone to get to know each other and led exercises to create a cohesive unit. Audrain said the group began to feel like her second family after spending so much time together.

"When you work with people so much, you develop a sense of trust and you just always feel welcome," Audrain said.

Senior Bill Bequette was the stage manager for the production. He was a theater major but participated in several musical ensembles on campus. Although he was already exposed to both backgrounds, Bequette said he learned from seeing the different processes the students went through to prepare for the operetta.

"It was interesting to see the vocal work ethic versus the theater ethic," Bequette said.

Collett said both the music and theater faculty working together was an incredibly positive experience. She enjoyed collaborating as a division for a production.

"It's a real testament to the personalities of these particular faculty members that we are able to do this," Collett said. "We get along really well."

Bequette agreed it was a positive experience to bring

music and theater together for the operetta.

"It was great to see music and theater, two of my loves, join together to create such a production," Bequette said.

Audrain said although there were long hours of rehearsals, it never stopped being fun.

"Even though you are working your butt off, it still feels like a party," Audrain said.

by Jennifer Odefey

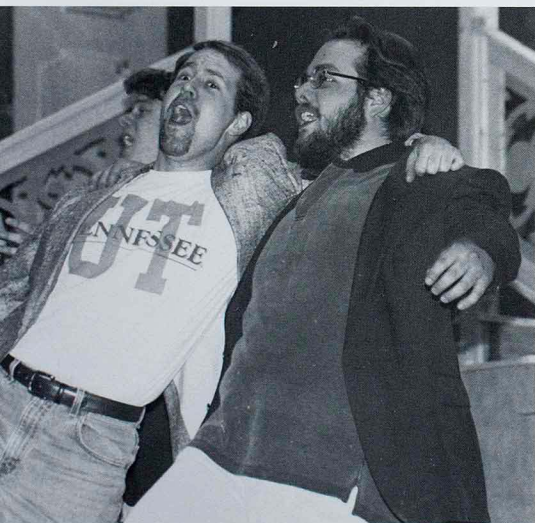


Junior John Hubert attempts to persuade senior John Missell into attending the ball that is to be given by the prince. Missell played Eisenstein who originally was scheduled to go to jail that evening. Unbeknownst to his wife, he chose to attend the prince's ball instead. (photos by Mary Ziegler)





Junior Brian Waters enjoys a glass of champagne with fellow chorus member junior Katie Ware. The two actors were a part of the 12-member chorus featured during the part of *Die Fledermaus* set at Prince Orlofsky's ball.



Graduate student John Spomer shares a laugh during the ball with senior John Missell. Their two characters became fast friends at the celebration thanks to a little too much champagne. The celebration was complicated by the false identities many of the characters assumed for the ball.

DECIDING factors

- There were 3,572 parking permits sold to students and staff.
- Only 2,503 parking spaces were available.
- One hundred spaces were lost to a playing field behind Centennial Hall.
- Public Safety issued an average of 85 parking-related tickets per day.



Snow-covered cars fill the parking lot behind Missouri Hall. Students found it difficult to find any open spots in the over-crowded lots. Many Missouri Hall residents parked by Stokes Stadium to avoid the hassle of finding a space. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)

Sophomore Kia Hartfield tickets illegally parked cars as part of the daily ticketing rounds for the Department of Public Safety. The busiest ticketing times were between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tickets were issued to cars parked in the wrong lots based on their color-coded parking stickers. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Stickers and
spaces
cause
aggravation

Parking headaches

Cruising through parking lots and trying to beat other students to the last open spot became an art as more people drove to campus.

In an ideal world, there would be room for all students with stickers to park on campus simultaneously. Unfortunately, the Truman parking situation did not represent the ideal world.

Junior Lesha Lafler lived about four miles from campus and had to commute each day.

"When I get to campus there's not enough space for commuter parking," Lafler said. "I just don't feel there's enough spaces for everyone."

Parking lots were color coded in order to designate who could park in certain areas. Green represented campus residents, red for faculty and staff and blue for commuters.

In comparison to 3,572 parking permits issued this year, there were 2,503 parking spaces available, according to a survey taken by the Department of Public Safety in November. These numbers did not account for lost permits or other situations in which a permit was no longer being used.

The numbers showed a discrepancy of over 1,000 more permits than there were spaces. Parking Services Coordinator Joyce Burnett said this was typical.

"It's not unusual for a university to oversell parking permits," Burnett said. "In comparison to other schools, Truman is on the low end of the permit-to-parking space ratio."

The situation meant an increase in illegal parking.

"The Department of Public Safety issued an average of 85 tickets per day for parking violations," Burnett said. "This number fluctuated a lot depending on activities and the number of visitors on campus."

According to Burnett, the busiest times for parking

were Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. while classes were in session.

Convenient parking seemed to be impossible.

"I avoid parking at the stadium lot, as it is so far away from buildings other than Barnett," junior Evan Black said. "I try not to use it."

Even with parking problems, the administration decided to turn the gravel lot west of Centennial

Hall into a playing field, losing another 100 usable spaces. After the completion of the plans for the multipurpose field, an area of 50 spaces was proposed.

There was still hope. With Student Senate's proposal for additional parking lots, perhaps the art of vengeance driving would come to an end.

by Tracy Snider



Some drivers tired of searching for a space in crowded lots and parked illegally wherever their car would fit. Despite the daily ticket rounds of the Department of Public Safety, illegal parking was common. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Anywhere But Here, a local band, performs before the crowd at the Amnesty International Bandfest. Amnesty International was one of many organizations that sponsored bandfests in hopes of raising money. Local bands found that finding the gig was the hardest part of performing.

Sophomore Mike Arendall plays the drums in his band, Up in Arms, during the Amnesty International Bandfest. The bandfest raised money to support human rights in the world. Local, St. Louis and Kansas City bands often participated in bandfests to raise money for worthy causes.





finding the gig, showcasing local talent, performing for a cause Bandfests

The easy part was getting the band members together to practice, but the hard part was getting a gig.

This was a problem for many local bands in the Truman community. There was always the possibility of playing at Campus Coffeehouse, but not many locations to play locally, otherwise. Washington Street Java Co. was one of the local businesses that provided a place for bands to play, but many band members still felt a lack of opportunities.

"There's some [opportunities], but I think that it could be better," CB Radio member Ben Braun said.

Once a band finally had a gig, it couldn't always count on a good turnout.

"Fraternities are pretty much the only show of support that turns out a good crowd," The Kickback's member Mike Cracchiolo said.

Some band members felt that problems could be solved if the community and the Student Activities Board supported them.

"The problem is that there's not a good sense of community among the bands and the people booking them," Cracchiolo said. "There could certainly be more shows over the course of the year if there was more support by SAB."

Cracchiolo felt the University and community should take the opportunity to book local bands versus St. Louis bands.

"SAB has every opportunity to book the best bands in the community," said Cracchiolo, "but they should spend some money on small bands and showcase different acts from around here, as well as St. Louis and Kansas City."

On the other hand, having bands from other areas come to Kirksville and play helped local bands get connections. Bringing in St. Louis or Kansas City bands not only provided music for students to listen to and bands a place to play, but it also helped local bands in their future careers.

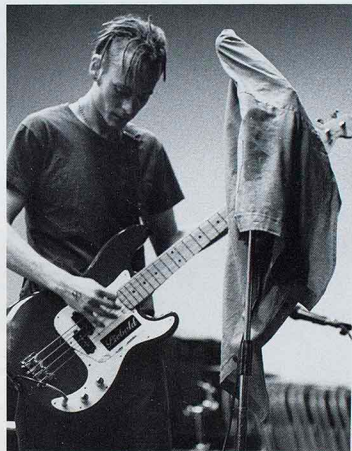
One way local bands were able to showcase their talent locally was through bandfests. There were many bandfests held throughout the year, providing an opportunity for bands to play.

The Anti-Racist Action sponsored a bandfest on March 21, which helped local bands receive more exposure, according to coordinator Andrew Black.

However, local bands still had to publicize for themselves and search for places to play.

"If I could do something differently, I would have tried to explore the opportunities that are available and would have sought out more opportunities," Cracchiolo said.

by Heather Adams



Up in Arms guitarist Shelby Floyd showcases his talent at the Amnesty International Bandfest. Local bands often had trouble finding places to perform. Bandfests, supported by different organizations, supplied many bands with the opportunity to showcase their talents. (photos by

walking on the potato, Centennial Hall's ghost, kissing in the Sunken Garden

Superstitions

Up ahead was the sacred potato--should you walk over it or around it?

Students reacted to the sacred potato in a variety of ways. One of the biggest superstitions was that walking on the potato caused students to flunk their next test. According to others, a student who stepped on the potato would graduate in five years instead of four. Some students chose not to buy into the potato superstition.

"I always walk on the potato," freshman Erin Williams said. "If you study hard enough, you won't flunk a test no matter where you walk."

Other students avoided stepping on the potato at all costs.

"People look at you funny if you do walk on it--they're like 'Get off the potato!'" freshman Rachel Swederska said. "And I don't need any help flunking tests."

Luckily, if the student walked backward over the potato while holding a candle at midnight, the curse would be broken.

The curse of the sacred potato was only one of many superstitions specific to Truman. Another superstition was that the first person a student kissed in the Sunken Garden would become his/her spouse.

"I kissed my fiancée-elect in the Sunken Garden," Williams said. "Now it's inevitable; we will get married."

One particularly interesting superstition revolved around the ghost of Centennial Hall. The ghost was said to be a past student adviser, Joan, during the 1970s. As the story goes, Joan was killed by her boyfriend's ex-girlfriend when crossing Franklin Street in front of Centennial Hall. Not long after, a cross and a rocking chair mysteriously appeared by the south window of the Centennial attic.

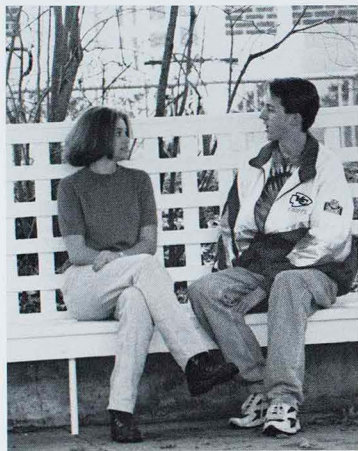
Junior Andy Bartek claimed he experienced Joan's ghost. He and his roommate were going to bed last year when they noticed that a strand of Christmas lights was out. His roommate said, "Joan, if that's you, turn the lights back on." With that, the lights were once bright again. Then they asked her to make the lights blink and the strand mysteriously started blinking.

"We both jumped out of bed, screamed like little girls and ran down the hall in our boxers," Bartek said.

While this account and others like it were convincing to some, others did not think the stories were real.

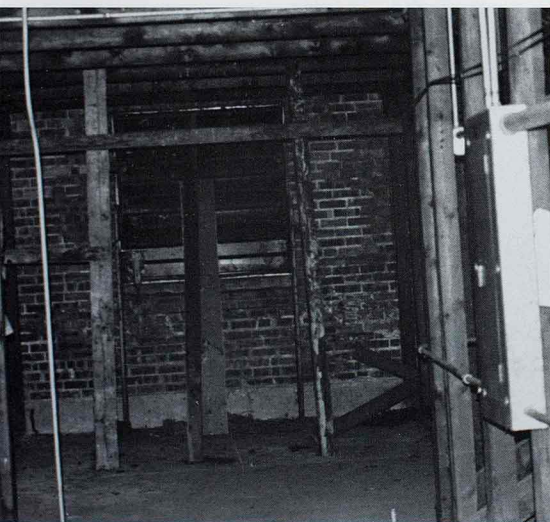
"I just think it's dumb," senior Seun Orebiyi said. "I just don't understand how you have a ghost terrorizing the dorm. It's like saying vampires are real."

by Megan Delaney



Putting on the moves, freshman Kevin Fuller tries to keep the conversation going with freshman Jennifer Brand. Superstitions stated that the first person someone kissed in the Sunken Garden would be the one whom they would marry. Some people didn't believe in this superstition, others made sure they kissed the right person.





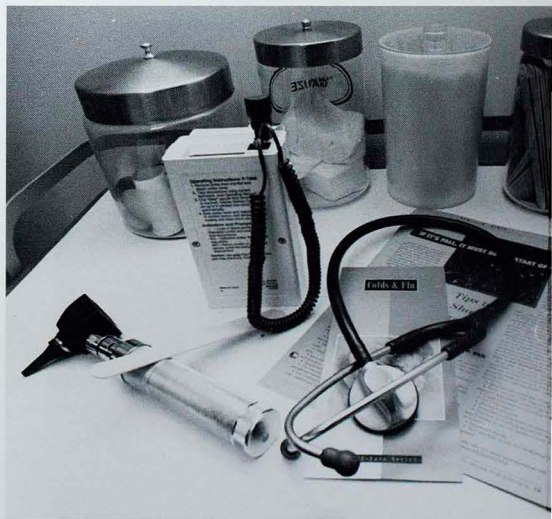
Freshmen Kristen Mertens and Caroline Kallal take extreme measures to keep freshman Larissa Ball from touching the sacred potato. Legend had it that walking on the potato would cause the offender to fail a test or get pregnant. This and other superstitions were common among Truman students.

Students were able to tour the Centennial Hall attic in hopes of catching a glimpse of Joan's ghost. Superstitions arose that claimed the cross, which mysteriously appeared along with a rocking chair in the attic, belonged to Joan. The tour occurred annually on Halloween. (photos by Tina Patel)



Sophomore Matt Heeren has his blood pressure taken at the Student Health Center in preparation for getting a flu shot. Heeren was one of many students to get a flu shot in an attempt to avoid illness later. The peak flu season at Truman was during the month of January. (photo by Josh Adams)

A few of the many tools used in the Student Health Center to diagnose the flu are on display. Coughing, sneezing and fevers were the most common symptoms of the flu. Health Center employees were experts at recognizing the symptoms. (photo by Josh Adams)





fevers signal attack, shots attempt to prevent, living conditions contribute Outbreak

The onset of flu hit Truman just as hard as it did around the world.

Many students on campus experienced the flu first-hand. Some students labeled their illness the flu, but in actuality, they may have had the common cold. Though many of the symptoms were similar, the flu usually included a fever.

The flu, also known as influenza, usually made its annual appearance anytime between November and mid-December. Unfortunately, it usually didn't die down until March. There was no exception on the Truman campus.

Daun Hooley, director of the Student Health Center, was confronted with the illness frequently as students sought medical attention. According to Hooley, the 1997-98 season was common.

"January is the peak on our campus," she said. "We start giving flu shots in September."

Hooley suggested students receive flu shots about two to three weeks before the flu season begins every year to try to avoid the illness.

Staying healthy when having to walk to and from class everyday was difficult, even for upperclassmen who had experienced the cold Kirksville climate for several years.

Junior Shanita Jackson was one of the students who didn't escape the illness.

"I've been sick twice this year," Jackson said.

Senior Angela Maupin seemed to be one of the few students who avoided illness.

"I have not been sick all year except for a bad cold Freshman Week from going out too much," Maupin said.

Some students tended to feel less protected from illnesses since they were on their own. Students didn't have their parents to take care of them.

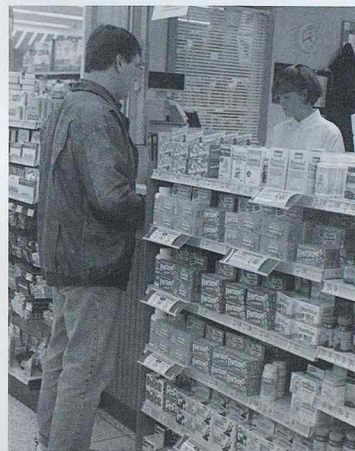
"There's nobody there to get medicine for you," Maupin said.

Hooley explained that students may have been more prone to illness because of the living conditions. She said that students rarely had a chance to avoid illness when they were living so close together in the residence halls.


Many doctors suggested nothing more than rest to survive an illness. Even though that was hard to do when students had responsibilities at school, sometimes that was the only possible solution.

"I tend to lie around and do nothing," Maupin said.

Some other suggestions included using a humidifier to increase air moisture, taking non-prescriptive drugs for minor discomfort and drinking at least eight glasses of water and other healthy fluids a day.



Daniel Hite, assistant professor of biology, purchases an over-the-counter cold medicine at Hy-Vee in hopes of relieving flu symptoms. Over-the-counter pain medications, as well as cough drops and sleeping aids, were used to help ease the misery of the flu. Many people with the flu tried to heal themselves before going to a doctor. (photo



by Stacey Bumpus

DECIDING factors

- 2,624 students had meal plans on campus.
- Sodexho had 225 employees including 125 students.
- The 1997-98 school year was Sodexho's fifth year on campus.
- Sodexho was allowed \$6 per student for three meals a day.



Sodexho employee Norma Ownby serves dinner to freshman Jodi Flowers. Sodexho had a contract with the University to provide all the food service for the campus. For many students, the familiar faces of Sodexho employees were a welcome sight at the end of a busy day.

Freshman Tanveer Siddiquee serves dinner while junior Nikolay Kojuharov assists. Sodexho employed 225 people on campus. Over half of Sodexho employees were students.



Sodexho
strives to
offer options,
convenience

Rising above stereotypes

With the common stereotype of college dining halls, Truman's food service, Sodexho, worked to overcome the negative typecast.

The Sodexho program, under the direction of Dennis Markeson, was the sole provider of dining services for the residential dorms. It also regulated Mainstreet Market and Tierra Del Sol Cantina and Coffee House, the new Mexican cafe.

Because of the negative typecast of residential cafeterias, respect was an issue between students and employees of Sodexho.

"About 95 percent of the students are very courteous as they go through the lines," Markeson said. "We do have, however, those 5 percent who are not."

Many students respected Sodexho employees, stressing that they were impressed with the quality of work.

"For the type of job the employees have, I am impressed that they produce the quality they do," sophomore Christina Heckenkamp said. "I would not be as nice about it if I had to do it."

Students did find some problems with the program. Even though students were allowed to transfer their meals to Mainstreet Market during certain hours, some students' schedules conflicted with the limited amount of transfer hours.

"I had physics at 8:30 in the morning and I couldn't get coffee before class because transfer hours didn't start until 9 a.m.," sophomore Marya Lucas said. "For

the few days that I was actually able to make transfer hours, I just wish that I could have transferred more than \$1.35."

The Sodexho program worked hard to create a better environment. One of the programs it implemented included a book of health and nutritional facts. In the past, a book was provided containing health facts concerning the food items. Due to several suggestions, however, Sodexho provided a list of facts that students could view while waiting in line.

"It was part of our contract to provide the facts," Markeson said. "We just began posting it to make it more readily available to the students."

Despite some of the students' opinions, Sodexho believed it was providing quality food for the pre-determined price of each student meal.

"We were given \$6 per student to feed them three meals a day with an unlimited amount of servings," Markeson said. "People can't go to McDonald's without spending \$4 to \$5 a meal, and we feed them three meals for the same price."

Markeson held strong to the belief that this program was one of the most effective.

"In my 29 years of working in food services, this Sodexho program is probably the strongest I have ever seen," Markeson said.

Sodexho was well on its way to changing the college cafeteria stereotype to one of a positive experience.

by Jeremy Early



Debbie Sheets serves students at the Mainstreet Market cash register. The options allowed by transfer hours and Bonus Bucks allowed students to be more flexible with their schedules. Sodexho handled all dining services on campus. (photos by Tina Patel)



Sophomore Monica Morris, junior Erin Byington and freshman Shane Duggin fill in the sand volleyball court of Camp Chyo-ca in Louisiana as part of Campus Christian Fellowship members' spring break trip. The students worked hard all week repairing the camp for the campers arriving in the weeks to come. Some students said the hardest thing was not being able to take a hot shower all week. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Travel agent Janet Snyder shows an interested traveler a brochure on spring break packages. Some students booked their spring break through local travel agencies. Relying on someone else to handle reservation hassles gave students less to worry about during stressful midterm times. (photo by Josh Adams)





fun in the sun hit the slopes free time with family Getaway

Every March students looked forward to their week-long vacation from school.

Also known as spring break, many students spent the entire year planning their ultimate break. Many students traveled to different locations to spend time away from Truman.

When most people thought of a spring break trip, the beach was the first place that came to mind. Students turned to local travel agencies to prepare for break. AAA Travel Agency Manager Bonita Schmitz planned many trips this year. Schmitz said the most popular place to travel to this year was Cancun, Mexico.

"People like to go there because they know the weather will be nice," Schmitz said. "Also, they are out of the country and it is more exotic."

Other hot spots for break were Mazatlan, Mexico, Panama City and Daytona Beach, Fla., and South Padre Island, Texas.

Senior David Rogers flew with 21 other students to Cancun. He decided where to go and from there, he called around Cancun for the best hotel at the best rate. Through AAA Travel Agency, he received a discount because his group was so large.

"I had been to Cancun two years ago, and I just couldn't think of a better place to go," Rogers said.

A lot of students spent their breaks with their friends. For many, this was the last chance for a spring break trip. Senior Jaimie Markus and seven of her friends chose to spend their last break in South Padre Island, Tex.

"We chose South Padre because it had all the accommodations that we were looking for," Markus said.

Not everybody went to the beach. Many students visited other parts of the country or went overseas.

Spending time skiing was a popular way to spend the break. Senior Mike Zerillo went to Steamboat Springs, Colo., to tackle its slopes.

"We knew we just wanted to go skiing," Zerillo said. "Maybe it's because we are older, but we were not really into the spring break hype of going some place warm."

Some students helped other people on their break. Campus Christian Fellowship traveled to West Monroe, La., to work at a Christian youth camp. Trip Coordinator Rob Siemer said that a violent storm had ripped through the camp two weeks before break.

"We were there to serve the camp director and God in anyway we could," Siemer said.

Members of CCF spent the week fixing, painting, landscaping and building the camp so it would be ready for the children in the coming weeks.

"This was a way to serve God as well as spend time with your friends," CCF member Katie Stokes said.

by Amy DeHart



Students relax and party on the beach in South Padre Island, Texas. Many Truman students went to South Padre on package trips through companies like Sunchase Tours or Student Express that specialized in organizing spring break trips. By purchasing a package trip, much of the burden of planning was taken off of the travelers. (photo by



Fifty rainbow-colored shirts hung from a clothesline on the Mall in remembrance of women who experienced violent crimes. The Clothesline Project was just one of the many activities held on campus during Rape Awareness Week. The Women's Resource Center sponsored the week-long event in September. (photo by Diogo Vaz)

Department of Public Safety Officer James Smiser checks an improperly parked bicycle for its registration number. Registration numbers on bicycles were one way to protect students from bicycle theft and to trace a stolen bicycle. The Department of Public Safety also made nightly rounds to help keep campus safe. (photo by Tina Patel)



attack prompts action

students gain awareness

public safety steps up

Safety

Fluorescent pink signs dotted the doorways of the buildings on campus in early September.

According to Von L. Abbot, Department of Public Safety operations commander, the pink signs were a part of the Campus Watch Program implemented by the department. The program helped the department comply with the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990, which was implemented by the federal government. The signs informed students of a recent aggravated assault and the precautions needed to be taken.

Campus watch signs were supplied to residence halls and academic building entrances and posted on bulletin boards. The highest concentration was around the areas of the incident. Abbott felt the signs initially helped raise awareness as they drew attention and people stopped to read them.

Freshman Katie LaBarbera saw the signs and was concerned about the incident.

"I noticed people would not walk alone because the incident seemed to scare everyone into being more careful," she said.

LaBarbera especially felt more aware after participating in the program Scream. For the program, volunteers dressed all in black and hid throughout campus. The purpose of the program was to demonstrate the many places an assailant could hide.

Campus Watch was only one of the services provided by the Department of Public Safety. The responsibilities of the officers included responding to medical and fire emergencies, primary response law enforcement, building security, crowd control and educational programs.

Freshman Chris Schaper felt the Department of Public Safety provided a safe environment, especially for the women on campus.

"I think danger is mainly a concern for females as they are more at risk," Schaper said.

Officers performed daily and nightly patrols by foot, bicycle and vehicle to ensure safety on campus. All officers were First Responder qualified, which enabled them to respond to any type of emergency.

"All response times on campus were under two minutes, even on the bicycle patrol," Abbot said.

Blue light phones made it easier to contact the department in case of an emergency. The phones were located in 17 places throughout campus. Some of the phones, though, were converted for non-emergency use, as they were equipped with a microphone and telephone pad.

"Students should always notify Public Safety, in case of an element of concern," Abbot said. "There are still a lot of things that go unreported, for example, harassing or obscene phone calls."

Since implementing commissioned officers in 1994, the number of incidents reported had decreased. Abbott felt this decrease was a result of educational programs and policing strategies implemented by the commissioned officers.

by Tracy Sinder



Junior Miriam Huffman shows participants how to use the University's blue-light system. The demonstration was part of the Scream program held Sept. 18. It featured student advisers and Department of Public Safety representatives showing students where potential attackers could hide on campus. The walk helped put people at ease after an attempted assault in August. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)

Nobel Peace
Prize winner
addresses
campus

Power of one

The struggle between political power and the people could be like a worn rider trying to ride an energetic tiger.

This analogy was the common thread throughout former South African President F.W. de Klerk's speech April 4. The event was brought to campus by the Truman State University Foundation which sought to bring one big-name speaker to campus each year.

De Klerk spoke before an audience of 1,400 students, faculty, Board of Governor members and community members.

De Klerk won the Noble Peace Prize in 1993, along with Nelson Mandela, for the part he played in the democratization of South Africa. After the presentation, a 25-minute question and answer session followed.

"I felt that now I know all the inner workings that happened," sophomore Mike Brewer said. "I looked at it as being a part of history because he was a man who went against a lot of other people and his colleagues to do what is right, and because it is not every day that a Nobel Peace Prize winner comes to campus who you can ask questions."

De Klerk went into detail explaining the obstacles South Africa had to overcome in order to abolish the apartheid. The process was slow and took over 30 years to bring to a head. Throughout the presentation, he referred to the difficulty of facing the "tiger" that was ready to revolt and possibly eat him alive.

The presentation not only introduced the political problems in South Africa, but it also gave the audience an

opportunity to understand that de Klerk moved the country as close to the right direction at a pace that would not cause complete chaos.

"I believe in the end, you have to give him and the others the credit they deserve for helping bring about a peaceful transition," said Candy Young, associate professor of political science.

Young, who introduced de Klerk, found one interesting aspect of de Klerk's speech to be about his work with the South African Parliament.

De Klerk was the only president in South African history to allow an open question and answer period in the Parliament where he would answer hostile questions of the party.

The biggest challenge for de Klerk in democratizing his country was overcoming the 11 languages spoken by the different citizens, according to de Klerk.

The presentation was beneficial for many students in their understanding of politics as a profession.

"I'm not really into politics and at times it was hard to understand, but I really liked his analogies," freshman Angie Ingraham said. "I am more aware that politics is very complex, and

a lot of planning goes into the decisions that are made."

The evening ended with a period where the audience asked de Klerk about the future of South Africa and how the current socioeconomic circumstances played a part in long-term goal planning.

by Jennifer Baumann



Former president of South Africa, F. W. de Klerk delivers his powerful message to a capacity crowd of 1,400 in Baldwin Auditorium. De Klerk talked about international issues, but through the use of more down-to-earth examples, his speech could apply to everyday life. (photo submitted)



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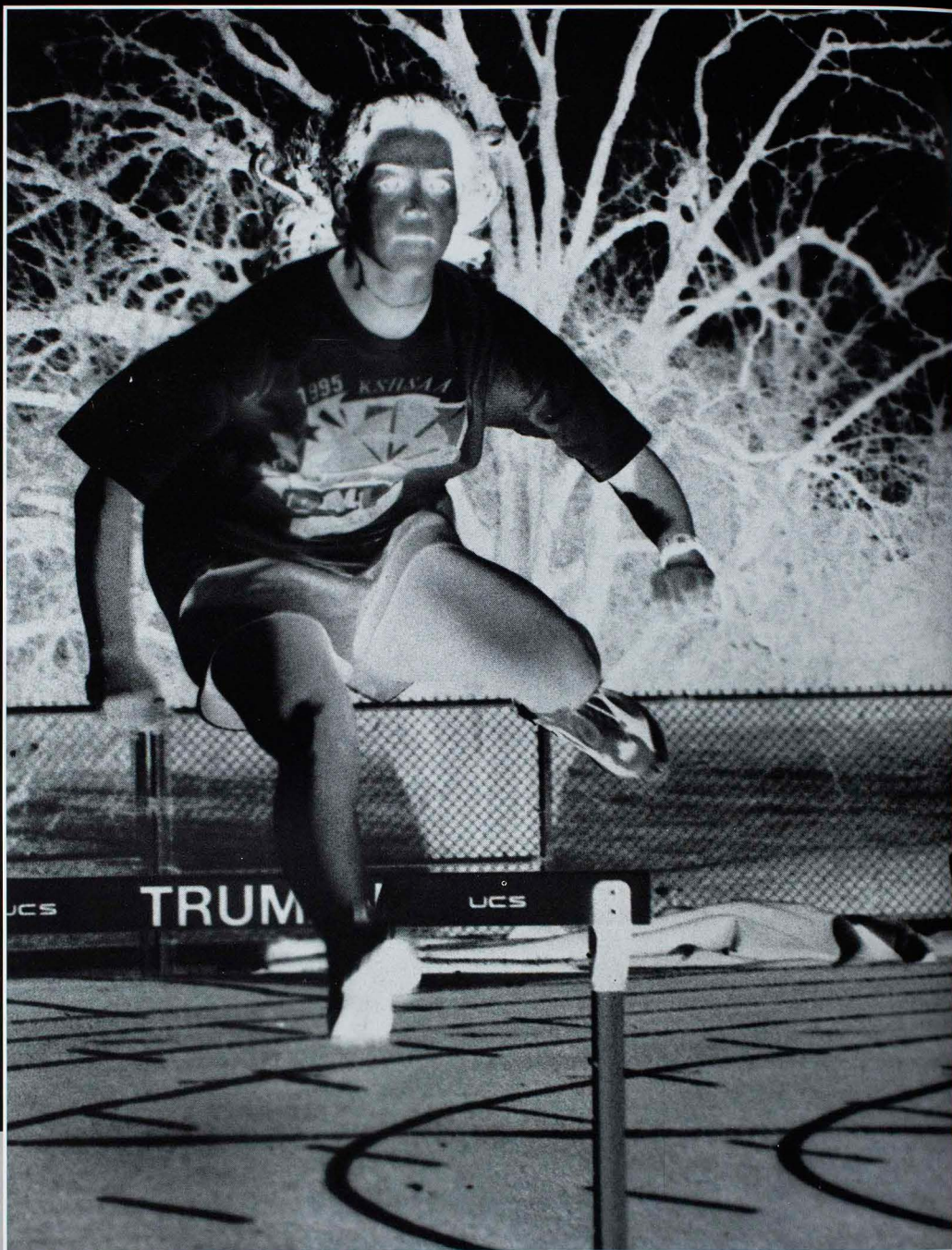
- A total cost of \$30,000 was required to cover the travel, lodging expenses and speaking fees for de Klerk.
- The Bank of Kirksville donated \$5,000 toward the fees.
- The event was sponsored by the Bank of Kirksville, Truman State University Foundation and Ryle North Residential College.



Freshman Mark Massey stands before the audience to ask F.W. de Klerk a question about the socioeconomic conditions in South Africa. The speech by de Klerk ended with a 25-minute question and answer session with students. The session gave students an opportunity to voice particular questions to the Nobel Peace Prize winning speaker. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

F.W. de Klerk motions toward the audience, trying to convey his important message. De Klerk discussed the decisions he and others made regarding the transition toward peace made in South Africa. These transitions included the peaceful dismantling of the apartheid system in that nation. (photo submitted)

Sophomore
Alison
Sparks
leaps over
a hurdle at
a practice
for the
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new track.
(photo by
Josh
Adams)



CHOOSE...

A part of Truman's identity included athletics, whether it was varsity, intramurals or club sports. With the addition of the new Student Recreation Center, we had more room to practice and exercise. Many club sports made their homes at the Rec Center. Even though roller hockey and rugby were not supported by the University, they still gained national status. Overall, the athletes at Truman maintained high academic standards despite our involved schedules. In addition, we hosted the first track meet at Truman since 1977. The Truman Open brought together alumni, volunteers and talented athletes with hopes of starting an annual tradition. School spirit increased at basketball games, as the booster club initiated several promotional activities to bring in larger crowds. Gaining national recognition, the men's soccer team went to the semi-finals and the men's and women's swimming teams finished at the top of their division. No matter what type of sport, we were given the choice to compete and cheer for the best. We chose to be Bulldogs.

your game

Sports

WHAT IS YOUR FEELINGS ON SPORTS VS. ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS?

"I feel that people who played well in high school should be given the chance to play for the NCAA through a scholarship."

~sophomore
Lyndsay Wheeler

"Performance-based scholarships are beneficial to students with talent, but everyone should all be required to maintain the same GPA."

~freshman
Aubree Smith

"It's like comparing apples and oranges!"

~Athletic Director
Walter Ryle

"Students who receive athletic scholarships should not be required to maintain the same GPA as academic, but should be required to maintain a GPA comparable to Truman's high standards."

~freshman
Katie Jeffries

"Truman encourages the academics side over athletics and enables those without much athletic talent to further their education."

~senior
Molly Gillespie

BRAINS VS. BRAWN

Most Truman students qualified for some type of scholarship but had to work hard to maintain the grades.

Like many others, junior Becky Owens received a President's Combined Ability Scholarship when she entered as a freshman but couldn't keep up her grades.

"It's just frustrating when you are missing out on a lot of money because of one-tenth of a grade point."

Junior Becky

"I wish I would have kept my scholarship," Owens said. "It's just frustrating when you are missing out on a lot of money because of one-tenth of a grade point."

The two most common scholarships among Truman students were academic and athletic scholarships. Students were awarded academic scholarships based on their grades and ACT scores. Athletic scholarships were based on the athlete's performance in a sport.

In order to keep an academic scholarship, students had to maintain a 3.25 cumulative GPA and work between five and 10 hours a week. Most students accepted the responsibilities that came with scholarships.

"I don't really mind (working) the hours," sophomore Ben McClure said.

Athletic scholarships operated on a different system. The athletic division followed (NCAA) standards, which monitored the length of each scholarship and the maximum dollar amount received. To

keep an athletic scholarship, athletes had to practice 30 hours per week and travel to competitions.

Dedication was required to maintain a scholarship. Students with both an academic and athletic scholarship worked hard to keep them. Athletes had to keep up with their sport schedules.

"Sometimes it is hard for students to keep up with classes when they have to leave for competitions occasionally," said Kathy Turpin, associate athletic director.

Academic and athletic scholarships served one main purpose—to recruit talented students.

"Recruiting really does help the team," said senior Shawn Siegle, a member of the men's tennis team.

Through scholarships, Truman recruited some of the most talented students and athletes in the area.

by Becca Svuba



Academics

- ✗ Truman awarded 2,728 academic scholarships for the 1997-98 school year.
- ✗ Students were required to maintain a 3.25 GPA in order to keep their scholarship.
- ✗ On average, 38 percent of freshmen lost their scholarship each year.
- ✗ Truman awarded 255 athletic scholarships during the 1997-98 year.
- ✗ Students with any form of scholarship had to work between five and 10 hours a week on campus.

vs. Sports



With the football somewhere at the bottom of the pack, the Truman football team attempts to dismantle Emporia State. Scholarships from the NCAA were the reason many of the players had the opportunity to compete on the team. In return, they had to work five to 10 hours a week on campus. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Sophomore Sunshine Fleeman directs her class in its daily routine. Fleeman led several aerobic classes at the Student Rec Center in order to keep her scholarship. Any student could participate in the class for a \$2 fee. (photo by Josh Adams)





With his aim on the outfield, freshman Jason Regagnon swings at the ball. Regagnon came to the team from Kirksville and was second-team all-state his senior year of high school. The baseball team worked hard to finish above .500 on the season. (photo by Lauren Medley)

Being trapped inside the gym for most practices, the baseball team was hampered by the year's bad weather.

"It's just hard to play well when you don't get to practice on the field," student assistant coach Kyle Plackemeier said. "When you're outside, it feels like you're getting things done, and it's easier to focus."

The bad weather kept the Bulldogs inside for many of their practices and caused the cancellation of over 20 games.

"We were playing well at the beginning of the season and then we got stuck back inside and it threw us off track," Plackemeier said. "But toward the end of the season, we got back on track by beating conference and ranked opponents."

Trying to make up postponed

games, the team was forced to play a lot of games in a short period of time.

Despite the problems the team had on the field, it was closer than ever off the field.

"We had a lot better team unity this year. We do things more as a team and hang out more," senior Shawn Bergman said. "Some of the games have

been frustrating, but the guys have been really cool."

As a result, the team also worked better together on the field.

"Our work ethic and attitude has definitely been better than before," senior Gabe Nardies said.

Throughout the rain and indoor practices, the team members managed to keep up their enthusiasm.

"It's always our goal to make the playoffs," Nardie said, "and that's still possible, so that's what keeps us motivated."

The team continued to improve and tried hard to make all the adjustments recommended by its coach.

"We know what we have to do, it's pretty much up to us now," sophomore Jeff Birdsong said. "We're the ones that have to do it."

by Stephanie Brenneke

"It's just hard to play well when you don't get to practice on the field."

assistant coach
Kyle Plackemeier

Mother nature blamed

Men's baseball team forced to practice indoors for much of the season

Unwinding the pitch, senior Shawn Bergman attempts to strike out an opponent. Bergman started the 1998 season second on the team for most wins in a season, while making the MIAA all-academic team. The baseball team spent the season working to build the program to ensure a seed in the playoffs. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Coach B.J. Pumroy

Coach B.J. Pumroy began his sixth season as the head coach of the baseball team. Pumroy began the season with a 54-145-3 overall record. In 1994, Pumroy guided the Bulldogs to their first post-season appearance in seven years. Pumroy had 19 all-conference, two all-region and one all-American academic players. In 1994, Pumroy had a player drafted into the major leagues, Truman's first since 1980. Pumroy received a bachelor of science degree in exercise science from Truman State University. He earned his master's degree in education with specialization in sports management from Northwestern State University (La.) in 1997.



1998 Baseball Team: Row 1: Kyle Plackemeier, Erin Connors, Jason Regagnon, Clay Biggs, Shawn Bergman, Kevin Ensminger, Nick Pinalto, Mike Kubinski, Fred Wolfmeyer and Coach B.J. Pumroy. Row 2: Andy Jackson, Rob Simms, Ryan Riggle, Justin Plassmeyer, Matt Thompson, Gabe Nardie, Josyh Niemczyk, Evan Adair and Aaron Beckmann. Row 3: Greg Lenich, Brian Bonness, Cory Hanstein, Dave Block, Jerid Butler, Jason Eldridge, Tony Vandemore, Jeff Birdsong and David Westmeyer.

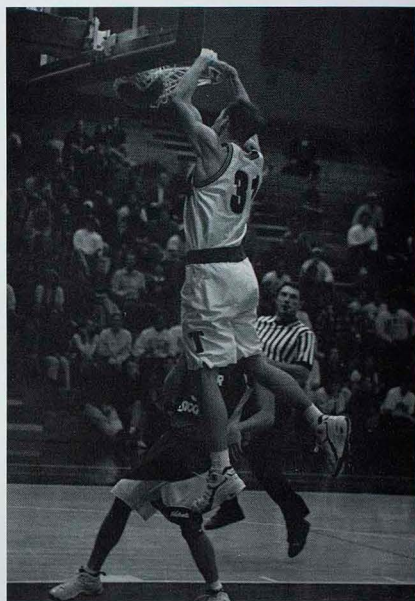
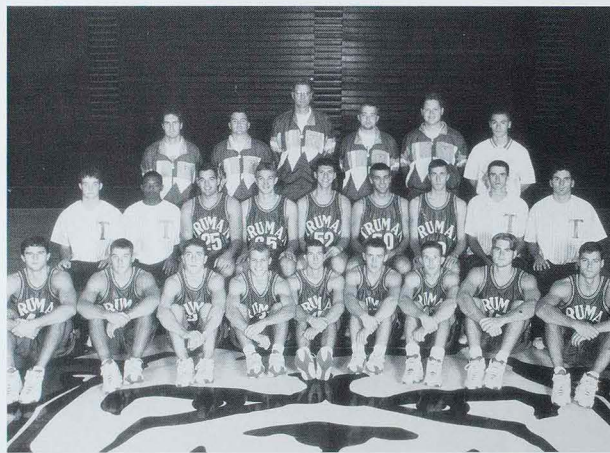
Students win money while

Student appreciation award lures

players win student support

fans to men's home basketball games

1997-98 Men's Basketball Team: Row 1: Jason Reinberg, Jason Ramthun, Chris Foulk, Mike Peterson, Kevin Eulinger, Andy Guethle, Jimmy O'Donnell, David DeGreeff and Cory Parker. Row 2: Kyle Eagan, Donnie Daggett, Spencer Douglas, Brian Brown, Dusty Bruner, Dan Mailath, Jason Ward, Jerid Butler and Peter Aydt. Row 3: student assistant Scott Hood, assistant coach John Sloop, Head Coach Jack Schrader, graduate assistant Jay Byland, student assistant Dave Barton and trainer Fred Wolfmeyer.



*Coach Jack
Schrader*

Head Coach Jack Schrader began in 1995 with two goals in mind. One was to recruit good high school players and the other was for the team to make the playoffs yearly and meet the challenge for the conference title.

Schrader coached professional and high school teams all over the world, one of which included Spain. Schrader also coached at Kirksville and LaPlata high schools. Schrader began his career at Truman as a volunteer coach from 1983-85.

Count it for two more as sophomore Cory Parker slam dunks the ball into the net. Parker proved to himself and his teammates that he had made a complete recovery from last season's back injury while regaining his title as one of the team's leading scorers. Parker served as co-captain, along with senior Jimmy O'Donnell. In high school, Parker was named to all-state honors his junior and senior years and still held the record for most points. (photo by Lauren Medley)



What started out as a public relations project became reality when the men's basketball team needed more support and encouragement from its fans.

Co-captain Cory Parker said it was difficult to play with excitement when there were no fans at games to support the team.

"The team had not had much support or a great deal of success in the past, and that is carrying over to now," Parker said.

Many suspected the lack of attendance was due to academic responsibilities, lack of information about the games or just plain laziness. Whatever the reason for poor school spirit, measures were taken to solve the problem.

One project was the Student Appreciation Award which started in the 1996-97 season. Senior Carrie Fritsche was part of the project.

"During each home game, a

student's name is randomly selected and called and if the student is present, they win \$100," Fritsche said. "If not, the money rolls over to the next game."

This project was initiated by Head Coach Jack Schrader, and the money came from the men's basketball booster club.

The players were enthusias-

"If people would come for a game, I think they'd like it and come again."

freshman Mike Peterson

tic about the attendance boosters.

"I would show up to a game for the chance of winning money," co-captain Jimmy O'Donnell said.

Another attempt to gain attendance was the Charity Game held each year.

Two organizations were awarded \$150 each. The first award went to an organization which had the largest number of members in attendance, and the second went to the group with the highest percentage of members at the game. The groups gave the money to a charity of their choice.

Even if the students were lured to games for the chance of winning money, there was still a strong possibility they would become involved in the game.

"If people would come for a game, I think they'd like it and come again," freshman Mike Peterson said.

by Carey Michenfelder

A simple lay-up by senior Jimmy O'Donnell is all Truman needs to close in on the lead. O'Donnell demonstrated tremendous senior leadership by becoming the senior captain and high scorer. O'Donnell led the young team as the only senior. (photo by Josh Adams)

The women's basketball team aimed to excel both on the court and academically.

At the end of the 1996-97 season, the team was academically ranked 19th among all of the Division II schools in the nation. The team worked hard throughout the season to rank even higher in 1997-98.

During mid-season, the team's average GPA was already up to a 3.24. Over the three years that Coach Karin Nicholls had been at Truman, she had seen the team's GPA rise.

"The team's GPA has risen from a little under a 2.7 to a 3.24," Nicholls said.

Study sessions were provided in order to help the team keep its grades high. These sessions were held every night, Sunday through Thursday, for two hours each. Freshmen teammates were

required to attend during their first semester. If they obtained a 3.0 GPA after that semester, they did not have to attend any more study sessions.

However, if any player fell below a 2.7 GPA for a semester, they were required to start attending the study sessions again. Freshman Kelli Kreuser felt that

the study sessions were helpful for her grades.

"It gave me a scheduled time to study," Kreuser said. "That way, I didn't get off track."

Aside from excelling in academics, the team also had to worry about success on the court. After practices, junior point guard Amy Eagan said the majority of her nights were devoted to studying. As a result, time management became a key factor for the players.

"The team practices about four hours a day by the time you combine all there is to do," Eagan said. "It's tough at times, but you just have to manage your time well."

Keeping good grades while dedicating a tremendous amount of time to practices and strength building was difficult, but the women's basketball team was a testament that it could be done.

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Coach Karin Nicholls

by Heather Adams

With only seconds to pause, Coach Karin Nicholls talks with her team during a time-out. Nicholls returned all of her starters, while recruiting two *USA Today* all-America candidates. The women's basketball team also was ranked one of the top in the nation for academics. (photo by Josh Adams)



Coach Karin Nicholls

Coach Karin Nicholls came to Truman to turn around a program and build a national contender. Before coming to Truman, Nicholls served three years as a full-time assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for the University of Nebraska women's basketball team. Nicholls was a four-year letter winner at Bradley University. She was all-conference as a freshman, junior and senior. In 1990, Nicholls received the highest honor, Alumni B Club Athlete of the Year Award. In 1994, she was the second woman inducted into the Bradley University Hall of Fame.



On the line, freshman guard Wendi Sobaski attempts a three-point shot. Sobaski came on the team as a *USA Today* high school all-America honorable mention selection. She averaged 24.5 points her senior year. Sobaski was recruited by Coach Karin Nicholls to help build the team. (photo by Chandra Lim)



1997 Women's Basketball
Team: Row 1: Marne Fauser, Mollie Kahn, Cathe Pence, April Warren-Grice, Wendi Sobaski, Amy Eagan, Megan Kahn and Melinda Cunningham. Row 2: Kelli Kreuser, Hillary Herbst, Assistant Coach Carol Russell, Head Coach Karin Nicholls, Student Assistant Andrea Hambach, Student Manager Natalie Mason, Jennifer Happel and Charriss Hayes.

Women aim to hit on the
Women's basketball team maintains high
court and hit the books
academic standards, ranking in the nation



Crawling like a caterpillar, the male cheerleaders perform a crowd favorite at an afternoon football game. The cheerleading squad practiced eight hours each week to prepare such feats. The "caterpillar" was a tradition by the male cheerleaders. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Cheerleading was not just learning a few dance steps or yelling for the Bulldogs. It involved intense training and practice.

"We practice an hour and a half each day with 30 minutes spent in the training room recovering," freshman Scott Haarmann said.

Coach Melody Jennings, instructor of health and exercise science, helped organize and provide the squad with a focus. As a result of good leadership and intense training, the cheerleaders worked toward nationals for the first time ever.

"She [Jennings] got us a scheduled practice time and structured practices so we got things done," junior Keri Silea said.

A winning squad also required just as much dedication from its members.

The squad often designed its own routines. Silea was one of the squad members who worked on inventing new moves for the squad's routines.

"[Gene] talked me into going to one practice and seeing if I liked it. Possibly going to nationals in Dayton, Fla., also helped make my decision."

freshman Scott Haarmann

"I listen to suggestions from other team members and make decisions about what cheers or pyramids to do," Silea said.

The male cheerleaders proved to be just as important to the squad as the women.

Haarmann did not come to Truman with the intentions of being a cheerleader. His roommate at Truman, freshmen Gene Doerr, introduced him to the sport.

"[Gene] talked me into going to one practice and seeing if I liked it," Haarmann said. "Possibly going to nationals in Dayton, Fla., also helped make my decision."

Overall, the cheerleading squad found the sport to be a challenge.

"I wanted to get into a sport where I could challenge myself all over again and have fun," Doerr said.

by Carey Michenfelder

Cheerleaders work toward

Dedication and hard work are the focus

new focus--Florida

as cheerleaders prepare for nationals

Coach Melody Jennings

Coach Melody Jennings graduated from Truman with both her undergraduate and graduate degrees. She was a part-time instructor from 1982-95 and a full-time instructor from 1995 to the present. Jennings owned and operated Melody's School of Dance for 15 years in Bloomfield, Iowa, but closed the school when she became a full-time faculty member at Truman. Jennings also coached a high school cheerleading squad for two years before accepting duties at Truman.

Along with coaching the cheerleading squad, Jennings taught dance elective courses, Health and Wellness and aerobics fitness classes.



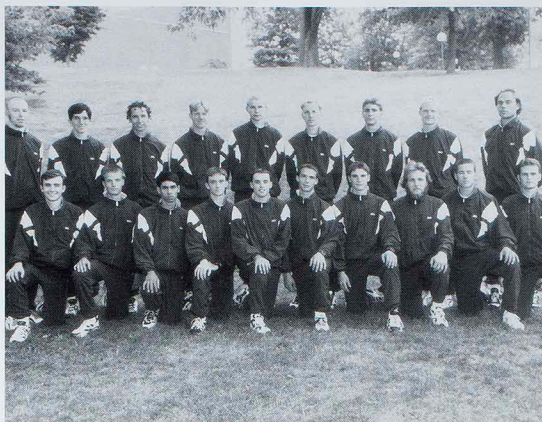
1997-98 Cheerleading Squad: Row 1: Jenna V. Poole, Kim Milligan, Carrie Newson, Keri Silea, Bethany Crews, Nicole Calto and Heather Dye. Row 2: Kevin Stucker, Jake Maechling, Ken Webb, Scott Haarmann, Brandon Smith, Alex Ramage and Gene Doerr. Row 3: Coach Melody Jennings, Spike, Simone and Erin Connors.

Balance and concentration is the key to the build being performed by the cheerleaders during a basketball game. The squad performed routines during most time outs in order to initiate school spirit. Every game helped the squad prepare for nationals in Florida. (photo by Lauren Medley)

Coach John Cochrane

John Cochrane completed his 18th season as head coach for the women's cross country and track teams. Cochrane was a 1968 graduate of Iowa State University and obtained a master's degree from Truman in physical education in 1982. Cochrane had been coaching for more than 25 years with an 11-year career at Williamsburg (Iowa) Community School. In 1983, Cochrane was the MIAA Track Coach of the Year.

1997 Women's Cross Country
Team: Row 1: Jennifer Schaefer, Angela Meyer, Jody Shanics, Rachel Fuller, Kim Hoffman, Kim Choate, Krista Roland, Elizabeth Scott and Beth Sabin.



1997 Men's Cross Country
Team: Row 1: Matt Groten, Roger Obrist, Sunhil Bhaye, Brian Maples, Mike Hronick, Pat Brown, Aaron Aversman, John Hoefer, Nick Blackburn and Phil Jorn. Row 2: Nate Peters, Mike Cone, Christian Blackburn, Brian Zid, Jacob Kaemmer, Adam Adams, Scott Henderson, Scott Poston and Mike Johnson.

Coach Ed Schneider

Ed Schneider, a 1965 graduate of Truman, was a cross country All-American for the Bulldogs. He led the team to three consecutive team championships from 1962-64. Before returning to Truman in 1974, he coached three cross country teams and two track teams to top-10 state finishes for Riverview Gardens High School in St. Louis County.



**Teams have slight falls, but
Cross country teams fall to injuries
look to future to recover
and disappointment but feel optimistic**

After another competitive season, the members of the cross country teams relaxed briefly.

The men's team ran across some difficulties retaining the success it had experienced previously. Some of the problems came from injuries.

"Some athletes were injured during the summer and were not able to train as hard as they wanted to in the fall," Men's Head Coach Ed Schneider said.

The road to nationals was not easy. The men's team ran into difficulties at the MIAA Championship in October. It placed fifth overall with its lowest conference finish since 1991.

Despite the hard work and dedication the men's team exhibited the entire season, it was not able to return to nationals by falling short at the Great Lakes

Regional Championships. The team ranked eighth overall out of 22 teams.

"I really felt we had the talent to qualify for nationals," Schneider said. "At that point of the season, athletes were just getting over injuries and I felt

"Some athletes were injured during the summer and were not able to train as hard as they wanted to in the fall."

Men's Coach Ed Schneider

that we could have overcome them if we had a few more weeks to recover."

The women's cross country team also showed the spirit necessary to reach success. Though it did not do as well statistically as the previous year, the team maintained a positive attitude.

The women's team was ready for the MIAA Championships in October and placed sixth overall.

"We did pretty good," senior Beth Sabin said. "It takes the freshmen about a year to adjust."

Unfortunately, the women's team also was unable to make it to nationals but remained optimistic for the year to come.

"We hope to be better as a team," Sabin said.

With five runners returning, the team started preparing mentally and physically for another challenging season ahead.

by Stacey Bumpus

Trying to get ahead of the pack, the Truman women's cross country team works at setting its own pace. The cross country teams dealt with a lot of injury and disappointment throughout the year but still continued to work hard. Both teams failed to make it to nationals but were set for the following season. (photo submitted)



While some people were sitting around the pool in August, the Truman State University football team was hard at work.

It took hard work and discipline to be a Bulldog, and the football players proved it. Near the end of summer, the team reported to Kirksville to prepare for the upcoming season.

With no other place to stay, some players lived in the dorms. On Aug. 13, the players who would live on campus checked into Dobson Hall.

The players woke up at 7 a.m. to begin their day and had an 11 p.m. curfew each night.

Head Coach John Ware said the players basically lived football 24 hours a day in the weeks before school started. They practiced about five hours a day and spent the rest of the time watching tapes and discussing strategies.

The schedule was demand-

"It's not only an occupation or a job. It has to be a lifestyle or a passion."

Coach John Ware

ing on the players.

"It's exciting at first," sophomore defensive tackle Michael Freiburg said, "but after the first couple days, I really start to miss my free time."

Once school started, the schedule changed and practices were held from 2 to 6 p.m., ex-

cept on Mondays. Ware said the NCAA mandated a maximum of 20 hours a week for practice.

Senior defensive back Ryan Ludwig said training was a year-round process. Even when the team did not practice together off-season, players ran and lifted weights to stay in top form.

"You may take a few weeks off at the end of the season," Ludwig said, "but that's about it. Everything you do in the summer and spring helps during the season."

Ware said the team usually spent about 10 hours a week in weight-training and aerobic activities during the off-season.

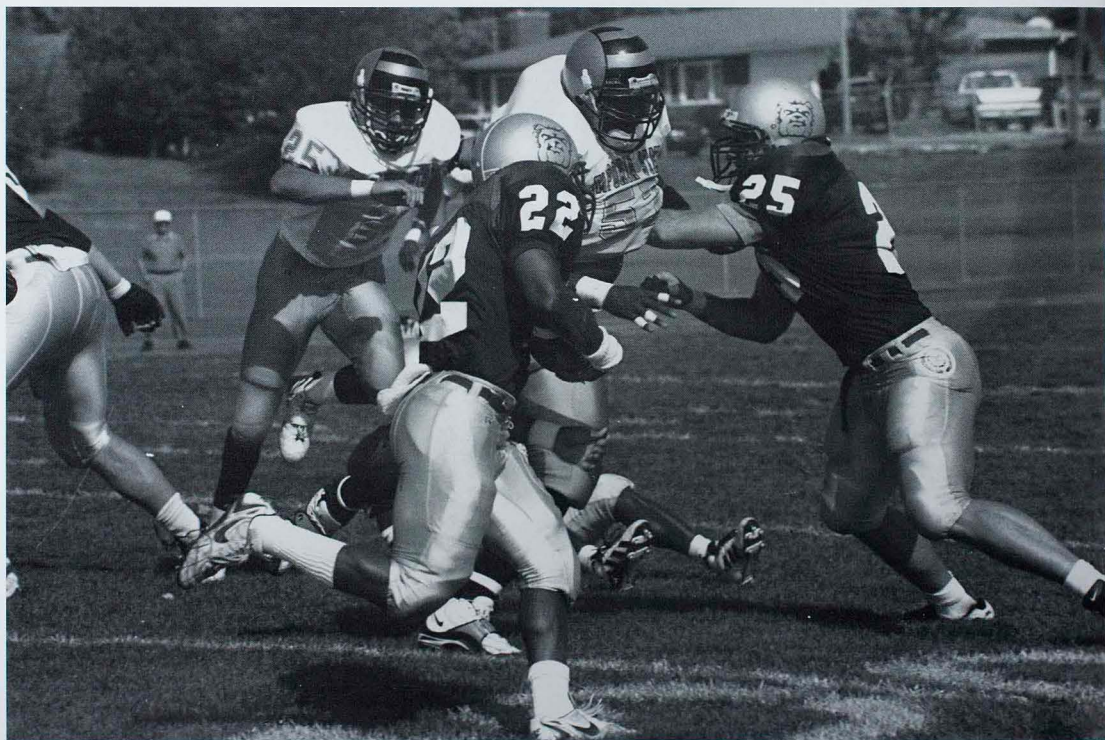
"It's not really required, but it is required to be good," Ludwig said. "It's advantageous to participate in anything you can to get ahead."

In addition to the demands on the players, the coaching staff had to be dedicated as well.

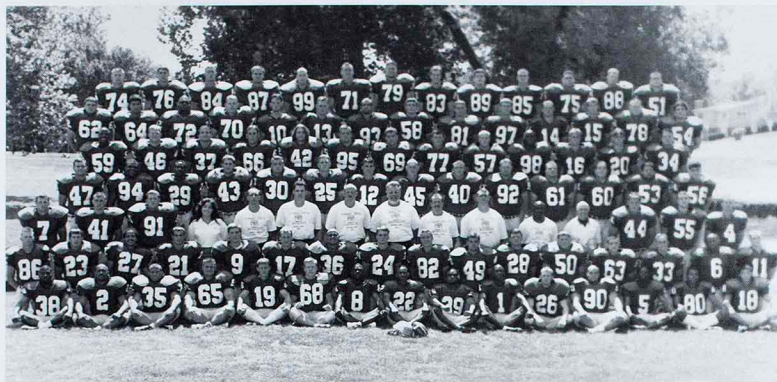
"It's not only an occupation or a job," Ware said. "It has to be a lifestyle or a passion."

by Chuck Miller

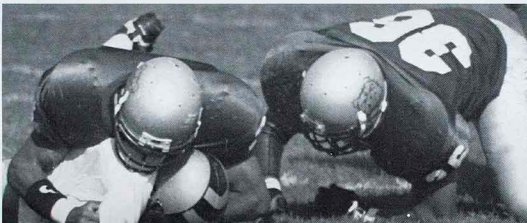
Senior fullback Chris Amick helps to hold back Emporia State while senior running back Karenga Scott flies by with the ball. Amick was a returning letterman from Jefferson City, Mo., while Scott entered the season as the number one tailback. Truman defeated Emporia State 44-28. (photo by Hemal Patel)



1997 Football Team: Row One: D. Hughes, K. Taylor, J. Chambers, B. Slentz, K. DeMoss, B. Nelson, S. Williams, K. Scott, D. Wright, E. Nelson, T. Fain, J. LeMay, J. Ross, R. Mercer and T. Nguyen. Row Two: R. Czechowski, B. Pennington, R. Christopher, T. Hernandez, J. Mohrhor, J. Blackmore, J. Rollison, K. Bormann, J. Gali, B. Schroeder, J. Forrest, R. Okenfuss, D. Cummings, R. Ludwig, B. Swilley and T. Bussen. Row Three: J. Naeve, T. Satterly, J. Shumate, Melissa Ware, Matt Nelson, Matt Steinberg, Chuck Clemens, Coach John Ware, Courtney Messingham, Matt Copeland, Jarrett Anderson, Clint Thompson, K. Henriksen, A. Donnelly and N. Minnis. Row Four: B. Yoder, N. Evans, D. Johnson, J. Marischen, J. Janusz, C. Amick, M. Vaughn, J. Orsulak, R. Fairchild, J. Brooks, S. Stevens, M. Irby, A. Fleisher and T. Cates. Row Five: Q. Huff, M. Hazen, Z. Allison, T. Beegle, B. Schrey, E. Owens, C. Cira, B. Gray, D. Greening, S. Brown, M. Fearn, D. McDonald and M. Rose. Row Six: M. McAdams, J. Bayer, F. Breland, D. Curtis, J. Klee, K. Hollinger, M. McHugh, J. Raaz, R. McDaniels, L. Smith, C. Sauer, T. Stebbins, M. Wishon and A. DiAntonio. Row Seven: D. Motley, E. Ess, S. Swindler, M. Schell, T. Wolfe, C. Hudson, C. Murray, D. Cisler, J. Riney, J. Chinn, B. Montgomery, S. Barnes and T. Marek.



Truman's defensive line takes care of Emporia State during the game on Family Day. The defensive line was coached by Chuck Clemens who served as the defensive coordinator for his third season. Clemens performed as a tight end for the Bulldogs from 1983-86, earning all-MIAA honorable mention recognition on the conference championship team of 1985. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Coach John Ware

John Ware took over in 1995 as the Bulldog's 19th head coach. Ware served as an assistant coach for eight years before taking over the head job. He coached four linemen to All-American status and recruited three All-Americans. Ware graduated from Drake University with a bachelor's degree in psychology. He played in four expedition games for the Forty Niners, was a five-time U.S. Senior National Powerlifting Champion and was world powerlifting champion in 1991. He was married to Sports Information Director Melissa Ware.

Bulldogs give up freedom

The football team practices non-stop at a

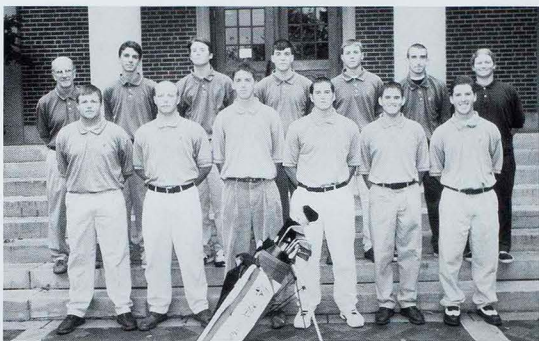
For a chance at excellence

chance to produce the best all-around players

Coach Sam Lesseig

Sam Lesseig entered the season as the only coach in the 12-year history of the women's golf program at Truman. He was named head coach of the team in 1985. Lesseig has coached two all-Americans and six academic all-Americans while coaching the Bulldogs to seven appearances at the National Golf Coaches Association Division II National Championships. Lesseig recently finished a six-year term on the NCAA Women's Golf Committee. Lesseig was a mathematics professor at Truman since 1963.

1997-98 Women's Golf Team: Row One: Michelle Lesley, Carrie Catlett, Stacie Boes, Betsy Driskill, Julie Balke, Leslie Miles and Chrissy Glover. Row Two: Tracy Markeson, Erin Stukart, Jaime Geer, Jill Ralph, Tara Rice, Megan Sturm, Laura Potts and Coach Sam Lesseig.



1997-98 Men's Golf Team: Row One: Trae Morgan, Josh Madden, James Ford, Bryan Daniels, Craig Fischer and J.R. Christensen. Row Two: Coach Keith Peck, Jasen Matyas, Justin Brewer, Eric Ewing, Marc Chenot, Kenny Lewis and Andrew Plett.

Coach Keith Peck

Keith Peck finished his third year as head coach for the men's golf team. He was credited for leading the Bulldogs to their best Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association finish with second place in the conference. Peck had been an assistant mathematics professor since 1970. He previously taught at Moberly High School where he was instrumental in starting the high school golf team. Peck earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Truman and in 1970, earned his doctorate from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

With goals in mind
The golf teams work hard to come together
Golf teams aim for nationals
as a team and earn their bid to nationals

The Truman men's and women's golf teams came into the 1997-98 season with the same goal—to qualify for the NCAA Division II and III National Championship Tournament.

While the men hoped to gain an invitation to the tournament, they also worked to come together as a team.

"Our goal is to develop more consistency," Coach Keith Peck said. "We have several outstanding individuals, but lack consistency as a team."

A selection committee was responsible for choosing the teams that would compete in the national competition. Some of the things the committee looked at included the team's record, its total score, the difficulty of the courses and the caliber of the opposing teams. Every tournament was important for the golf-

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Senior Erin Stukart

ers because every event affected the team's possibility for an invitation.

"It puts emphasis on every tournament," women's co-captain Erin Stukart said. "Nationals are in the back of your head every hole, every shot, every putt. It makes you grind."

The women's team was ranked number one in its region at the end of the season, but the members knew the team would have to continue to work hard to hold on to that position.

"There were some rounds that we played well and some we would like to forget, but it's that way for every sports team," Coach Sam Lesseig said.

While the men's season had a rough start, senior Bryan Daniels believed that with a change of attitude, the team could come back and play well.

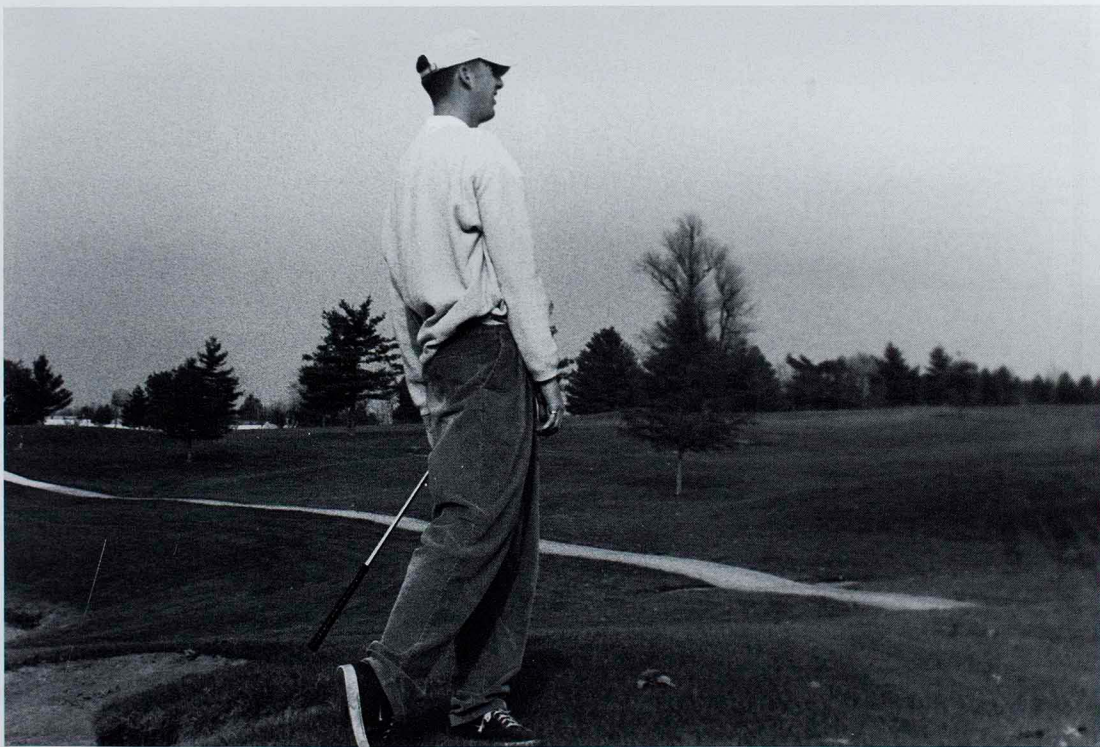
"It's been kind of disappointing, but we just have to take it one tournament at a time," junior James Ford said.

Even though both teams practiced daily, it allowed the members to free their minds from daily school activities.

"Golf is good because it gives you goals and something to focus on outside of the classroom," sophomore Stacie Boes said.

by Kevin Laune

Watching it soar, junior James Ford keeps his eye on the ball. Ford was preparing for the NCAA national tournament. Both teams worked hard during the season to increase their chances to go to nationals. The golf teams practiced regularly at the Kirkville Country Club. (photo by Jennifer Odefey)





Junior Scott Poston jumps the hurdle in the steeple chase competition at the Truman Open. Poston placed third at the Wisconsin-Platteville Open in the 5,000-meter run. Poston served as co-captain for the year. (photo by Hemal Patel)

For most sports teams on campus, it was unusual to say that they had never had a home competition. On March 28, the first time in 21 years, Truman's track teams finally had the chance to stop saying this.

This day marked the first meet on the University's newly renovated Kenneth L. Gardner Track.

"Overall, it was very exciting to have the first home meet in 20 some odd years," Men's Track Coach Ed Schnieder said. "It's nice for the athletes to have the opportunity to run in front of a home crowd."

Athletic Director Walter Ryle said the idea to renovate the track was shifted around for years.

It was not until Ryle took over as athletic director in the summer of 1994 that ideas started

taking shape. Ryle approached President Jack Magruder and proposed that the University either take the project seriously or forget about it. Together, they agreed that renovating the track was good for everybody.

The track was especially beneficial for the athletes who could now perform in front of a home crowd.

"We're used to performing in front of stranger's parents," junior

"We're used to performing in front of stranger's parents. This was a great change."

junior Aaron Krill

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In addition, the track benefited other students on campus and the Kirksville community, Ryle said.

"It's an investment not only in athletics, but in recreation for the whole University community," Ryle said.

After swinging the plan into motion, Ryle next turned to the community businesses for help.

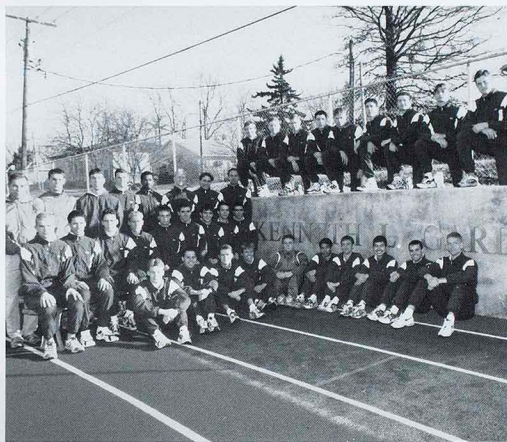
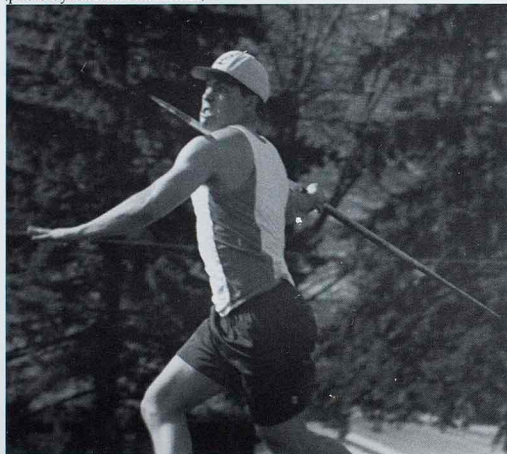
While Ryle was thankful that the University itself was the largest donor to the creation of the Gardner Track, he was also thankful that the corporations of Kirksville helped support the cause.

The track was a positive addition that would benefit the communities of Truman and Kirksville for years down the road.

by Liz Schuerman

Long-term plans give *Men's track is given the chance to perform* Truman a chance to shine *in front of the home crowd and does well*

With determination in his face, freshman Ryan Easley prepares to throw the javelin. Easley was part of the first team since 1977 to host the Truman Open at Stokes Stadium. The men's team ended with 11 first-place finishes. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



All-Americans Matt Antognoli and Jon Coyle

Senior Matt Antognoli earned All-American status for his sixth-place national indoor finish in the 400-meter dash. He was second in the conference in the same event. Antognoli served as a co-captain and was from St. Louis.

Senior Jon Coyle was second in the long jump at the MIAA Indoor Championships and placed fifth in the 55-meter hurdles. Coyle was from Leslie, Mo., and majored in business (finance) and biology.

1997-98 Men's Track & Field

Team: Row 1: Mike Weinkauff, Aaron Krill, Phil Jorn, Kirk Marsh, Charlie Eblen, Sunil Bhawe, Brian Maples, Steve Brayden, Mike Hronick and Ryan McWilliams. Row 2: Jacob Kaemmer, Christian Blackburn, Keith Aumiller, Nick Blackburn, Roger Obrist, Lance Stack, Matt Gorton, John Brockman and Pat Brown. Row 3: Coach Ed Schneider, Scott Henderson, Brad Schottel, Matt Judson, VaSean Nixon, Scott Poston, Mark Massey and Mike Johnson. Row 4: Nate Peters, David Mayhew, Chad Froelker, Ryan Easley, Jon Coyle, Sam Merritt, Brian Waters, Danny McDonald and Kurtis Suellentrop.

In a season full of hurdles and dashes to the finish line, the women's track and cross country teams highlighted their abilities in the first home meet in 21 years.

The Truman Open was held March 28, at the Kenneth L. Gardner Track at Stokes Stadium.

Fans and alumni came to the stadium to support the track team, which had a successful year in both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

The Truman Open gave athletes the chance to compete at home. Head Coach John Cochrane said there was a home track advantage for the team.

"The fact that it was a home meet had them pretty fired up," Cochrane said.

Junior Angie Meyer said the team was affected positively by

having a meet at home.

"We put more effort into it, and we were more excited about it," Meyer said.

Support from fans and alumni helped the team's performance at the Truman Open, as well.

"It was amazing," senior Paige Bixler said of the fan support. "We were really impressed with the number of people that showed up."

She said it was different than being at another school, because

"The fact that it was a home meet had them pretty fired up."

Coach John Cochrane

there were not usually as many people cheering for the runners on the front stretch.

The meet gave the team the emotional edge it needed to finish the season strong.

"All along the way we've been looking for people to discover what it is to compete really hard and I think just about everybody figured that out this time," Cochrane said.

He said the team's ability to compete hard would carry it through the rest of the season.

"The key is getting so that you can compete really well all the time," Cochrane said.

Several athletes won top finishes at the meet, including many first place wins.

The team hoped the Truman Open would become an annual event as it would give the track team a goal to work toward at the beginning of its season.

by Amy Luzynski

Sophomore Satonya Carter receives the baton in a 4X100-meter relay hand-off at the Truman home track meet. Carter finished third in the 100-meter dash in the 1997 Lion Relay and at the 1997 MIAA Outdoor Conference meet. Also, at the 1997 Outdoor Conference meet, Carter finished eighth in the 100- and 200-meter dashes. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Assistant Coaches Erin Burns, Liz Hopkins and Jan Loussaert

Senior Erin Burns, a biology major, made an appearance in the national outdoor meet in the high jump and the 400-meter hurdles. As a junior, she was the outdoor conference champion in the same events.

In 1994, Liz Hopkins won the 600-yard dash for the Bulldogs at the MIAA Indoor Conference Championships. Hopkins was a senior exercise science major.

Jan Loussaert, a senior mathematics major, won the 55-meter hurdles at the MIAA Indoor Conference Championship. In the Division II national Outdoor Meet, she won the 100-meter hurdles and that same year, placed 11th overall in the meet.



1997-98 Women's Track & Field Team: Row 1: Jennifer Schaefer, Jennifer Frankenberg, Angie Meyer, Jody Shanks and Jan Loussaert. Row 2: Paige Bixler, Beth Waters, Heidi Shearer, Molly Pledge, SaTonya Carter, Kristi Morton, Beth Sabin and Christina Meyer. Row 3: Liz Hopkins, Molly Kandlbinder, Sarah McLean, Elizabeth Scott, Gretchen Bruemmer, Alison Sparks, Megan Mosher and Natasha Carter.

Freshman Jody Shanks runs a middle-distance event in Truman's first home track meet in 21 years. In addition to middle-distance events, Shanks ran cross country. The women's team came away with five first-place and six second-place finishes. Due to its large success, the Truman team hoped the event would become an annual event. (photo by Hemal Patel)

First home meet since 1972

*Women's track team competes in Truman
stirs fire in the track team
Open and grabs several first places*

Young and old combine

The men's soccer team makes history as

to create Truman history

the first team to reach the Final Four



In a struggle for the ball, freshman forward Chris Rahe wrestles his opponent to the ground for possession of the ball. Rahe put a lot of effort into the team, in turn, pushing the Bulldogs into the national rankings. Rahe graduated from St. Dominic High School where he was all-district his junior and senior years. He played in the North/South all-star game and led his team to district championships in 1995 and 1996. Freshmen dominated the team by making up over half of the squad. There were 17 freshmen on the team compared to only 14 upperclassmen, eight of whom were sophomores.

Coach Dennis Sweeney

1997-98 Men's Soccer team: Row 1: Mike Enright, Kory Fuller, Buddy Entwistle, Scott Meis, David Green, Steve Wilhusen, Adrian Marrero, Mike Quante, Jeremy Jackson and Brian Werner. Row 2: Jason Hubbard, Matt Cox, Jake Sirna, Lee Letourneau, Jimmy Duran, Scott Mills, Kevin Kelly, Phillip Flemming, Chris Rahe, Justin Shew and Matt Byers. Row 3: Ryan Seim, Jon Gohl, Chris Baucom, Josh Lowndes, Bryan Olson, Michael Roth, Heine Anderson, Matt Barry, Jason Struttman, Michael Zung, T.J. Dube, Chris Thompson, Head Coach Dennis Sweeney and Jody Sellers.



Dennis Sweeney began his third season with the Bulldogs after posting a 12-8 record and earning his second straight MIAA Coach of the Year Award. Before coaching at Truman State University, Sweeney coached at the high school level in both California and Colorado. Sweeney played for the San Francisco Glens, a semi-professional soccer team. The Glens were four-time Northern California champions and five-team league champions. In 1979, the team finished second in the National Amateur Cup. Sweeney graduated from San Francisco State University, where he served as captain of his soccer team, finishing the 1981 season ranked sixth in the nation.



In the beginning of the year, Coach Dennis Sweeney told the men's soccer team what was expected of it—to play each game well.

If the team followed this goal, the wins would take care of itself.

Sophomore Steve Wilhusen believed that goal was carried throughout the season.

"Whenever we played well this year, we won," Wilhusen said. "We lost to some poor teams when we didn't perform to our potential."

The team was 16-6 and made it to the Final Four for the first time in Truman's history.

"I wasn't too surprised because I knew we had the potential," sophomore Lee Letourneau said. "Our success was just a matter of bringing it all together at the end of the year."

The team advanced to the Fi-

nal Four after defeating Southern Illinois University in the first round and East Stroudsburg State College, Pa. The team fell short in Florida, where it was defeated by California State University.

Overall, the team finished fourth in the country. Six of the 11 MIAA first-team players were from Truman. The men's soccer

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sophomore Steve Wilhusen

team claimed its fourth-straight, and sixth overall, conference crown.

The men's team learned from its mistakes in past years.

"We stayed more focused throughout the year," Letourneau said. "Last year was a big disappointment, and the guys weren't going to let the same thing happen again."

The seniors also provided a big impact on the team.

"They kept pushing and encouraging us the whole year," Letourneau said. "They stepped it up when we really needed it."

The team also depended on its younger players to complete the winning combination.

The Truman men believed the future held an even brighter outlook.

"I hope this year will not be the exception," senior Mike Quante said. "I hope what happened this year will become expected from teams in the future."

by Carey Michenfelder

Maneuvering past his opponent, freshman forward Jeremy Jackson works on getting the goal. Jackson helped the team reach semi-finals for the first time in Truman's history. Jackson came from Notre Dame North High School in Peoria, Ill., where he was a second team all-state his senior year. (photos by Lauren Medley)

Strength and perseverance helped the women's soccer team have one of the most outstanding seasons in Truman's history.

For the first time, the women advanced to nationals. The team didn't qualify for nationals easily. During regionals, the team had to play under harsh winter conditions.

"The field had to be plowed for the first regional game," senior Kim Mannion said.

Despite the bad weather, the team defeated Rolla, naming Truman second in the region and national qualifiers.

At nationals, the women's soccer team earned the title of regional champs after defeating St. Joseph, who had originally held first place.

The team went on to play West Virginia Wesleyan in the

national quarterfinals only to lose in a close game. The team tried to adjust to the difficult weather conditions.

Although the women lost the game, they placed sixth in the nation.

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senior Kim Mannion

a lot more desire, where in the past we fizzled off at the end of the season," Mannion said.

Coach Mike Cannon believed the success stemmed from teamwork.

"The team had a good attitude toward winning, learning from mistakes in the past and focusing on playing well," Cannon said. "This year the team wasn't as deeply talented, but worked together better as a team."

It was the first time the team had a second-team All-American player, senior Jocelyn Parisi. The women set another record for having four consecutive winning seasons.

"We devoted a lot of time to the program and are a close-knit bunch," Mannion said. "It was a very successful season overall."

The team already set its mind on another winning season.

by Janine Hall

Junior midfielder Kim Simmons works hard to prevent her opponent from scoring. Truman's 1997 team won more games and went further than any other team in Truman history. The Bulldogs finished 15-6-1.



Coach Mike Cannon

Mike Cannon began his fifth year as head coach in the midst of the program's best three-year stretch in history. Cannon played defense the past two summers for the United States Indoor Soccer League's Des Moines Menace. He was selected in 1996 to play in the USISL all-star game and served as team captain in 1997. He was an assistant coach for the men's soccer team in 1992. From 1988-91, he played for the Bulldogs, being named most valuable player his senior year and most improved his junior year.



In an attempt to get around her opponent, junior Kim Simmons does some fancy footwork. Simmons saw action in 21 games, earning four goals for the team. The team more than doubled its opponents by scoring 111 points on the season to its opponents 49. (photos by Chandra Lim)

1997 Women's Soccer Team:
Row 1: Jacki White, Julie Garland, Meredith Hartle, Kim Mannion, Molly Swartzbaugh, Becky Sparks and Sarah Waters. Row 2: Jill Benson, Ann Wiesler, Kim Simmons, Jenny Miller, Kjrsten Abel, Stephanie Toczylowski, Becky Muhlenkortand Jenny O'Brien. Row 3: Jill Harlan, Jennifer Davis, Assistant Coach Trishia Harting, Head Coach Mike Cannon, Maria Stylianou, Kim Tucker and Beth Enochs. Row 4: Tricia Larkin, Nicole Taylor, Cindy Martin, Jocelyn Parisi, Brooke Stephens, Carie Toczylowski and Tracey Forim.



Soccer team has many firsts,
Women's soccer team attended the national
including a national ranking
tournament and finished sixth in the nation



Sophomore **Jen Wright** throws the ball over the head of sophomore **Stephanie Schlegel** as an opponent runs the bases. Wright led the Bulldogs with the most sacrifices and had a batting average of .301. The Bulldogs worked hard to improve from its 1997 mark of 20-15.

Anyone who had felt an adrenaline rush after hearing the cheer of a crowd could understand how important fans were to athletic teams.

"We've only had one home game, and it was awesome," sophomore **Meredith Boyt** said. "All three stands were full."

After many rain outs, the softball team was determined to have crowd support during the few home games they had to play.

"We've been talking to a lot of people and we've been wearing team shirts on days that we play," sophomore **Megan Sullivan** said.

Crowd support was important because the excitement the fans had quickly spread to the players.

"We were really excited to see a big crowd at the game," sophomore **Christine Schamber** said.

"Everyone was pumped up because of all the fans."

As a young team of freshmen and sophomores, it was important for the players to be prepared on the field. In addition, having an audience was a big help to its mental game.

"It's really nice to have support and know people are pulling for us," Sullivan said. "You want to do good not only for yourself, but also for your team and your university."

Many parents traveled to Florida to cheer the team to third place in the Spring Fling tournament at the University of West Florida. The tournament helped the team gain practice before the bulk of its season.

"We tried some different combinations of offense and defense," Coach **Dan Zimmer** said. "We used it as a training period, a practice and a competition."

After nine seasons as head coach, Zimmer resigned his coaching position to concentrate on his duties as a professor and as the director of intramurals.

The team aimed to finish the season with a good record, not only for itself, but also for its coach.

by Stephanie Brenneke

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sophomore **Christine Schamber**

Young team learns basics

Softball team improves on the season

with help from fans

with support from fans at home games

Freshman Kristi Bredbenner attempts to nab an opponent running the bases. Bredbenner came to the team as an all-state catcher at St. Dominics High School. The team was young with eight freshmen and eight sophomores forming the entire team. (photos submitted)



Coach Dan Zimmer

Coach Dan Zimmer began his ninth season as head coach of the softball team and held the record for the longest tenure as head coach. Zimmer was also the director of intramurals at Truman State University. Zimmer was a medical laboratory supervisor for the Missouri Air National Guard in St. Joseph, Mo., and also worked as the executive director of the public housing authority in Princeton, Mo. Zimmer held an associate of arts degree from Centerville Community College (Iowa) and bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education from Truman.



1998 Softball Team: Row 1: Crystal Wing, Shannon Steele, Christine Schamber, Jen Wright, Randi Culp, Michelle Rackers, Gail Knaebel, Amber Eastabrooks and Meredith Boyd. Row 2: Melissa White, Sidney Palmer, Megan Sullivan, Tennaile Timbrook, Kristi Bredbenner, Heather Mackie, Missy Kane, Vicki Viehaus, Stephanie Schlegel, Heather Murphy and Coach Dan Zimmer.



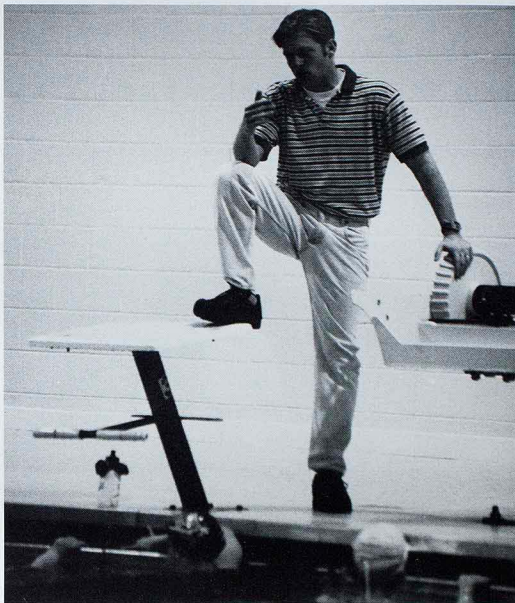
1997-98 Men's Swimming team:

Row 1: Mike Hoskovec, Jess Dance, Daniel Lopez, Tim Sandfort, Johathan Kretz, Kevin Punswick, Patrick Hill, Greg Kristoff and Coach Seth Huston. Row 2: Kurt Bubulo, Tony Ciaravino, Erik Rogers, Michael Morris, Spencer Gillis, Josh Diehl, Pete Koenig, Joel Vece and Jared Kuntz. Row 3: Bill Mataya, Dan Otahal, Josh Scott, Craig Fowler, Eric McCullough, Matt Swickhamer, Kevin Wysocki, Chris Kohl, Chad Kerkisick and Steve De La Piedra.

Coach Seth Huston advises some of his team members on proper swimming techniques while in the water. Huston held practices everyday to prepare for various tournaments throughout the year. He was named Coach of the Year in the Mideast Classic Tournament for three consecutive years. He brought both the men's and women's teams to their highest winning records in the history of their sport at Truman State University. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

Coach Seth Huston

Seth Huston began his third year as head coach of the women's and men's swimming teams. In 1996-97, he was named the Mideast Championship Classic's Coach of the Year. Huston earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from the University of Tampa in 1988 and his master's degree in exercise science from Texas Christian University in 1990. Huston was active in the U.S. program by coaching at several camps. Huston coached all levels of swimmers from the NCAA All-Americans to Olympic trial qualifiers.



To gain a little speed,
The swimming team shaves down to the
 the men shave it all
bare minimum in hopes of improving times

Embarrassing as shaving might seem to other people, the men's swimming team was hardly fazed.

"Frankly, I love it," senior co-captain Kevin Wysocki said. "It means that I've worked hard all year long and finally a weekend of phenomenal competition is nearing. It makes all the hard work well worth it to swim faster than ever before."

One reason they shaved was to remind themselves of what was to come. They usually shaved before their championship meet and again before nationals, said senior co-captain Dan Otahal.

"A little of the [psychological] help comes from the removal of this excess drag that body hair produces," Wysocki said.

Otahal agreed the shaving process was used as a preparation tool for their meets.

"It prepares us mentally for our races," Otahal said. "When we shave, we know we'll feel good in the water and swim fast."

The men all used a similar technique to rid their bodies of unwanted hair.

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senior Dan Otahal

"We use clippers first, then razors," Otahal said. "The razors are the last thing we use to get as close as possible."

Wysocki gave the secret away on how much the men shaved.

"We shave it all!" Wysocki said. "All means everything except that which is covered by our suits."

The men's team didn't rely on its shaving habits for its success.

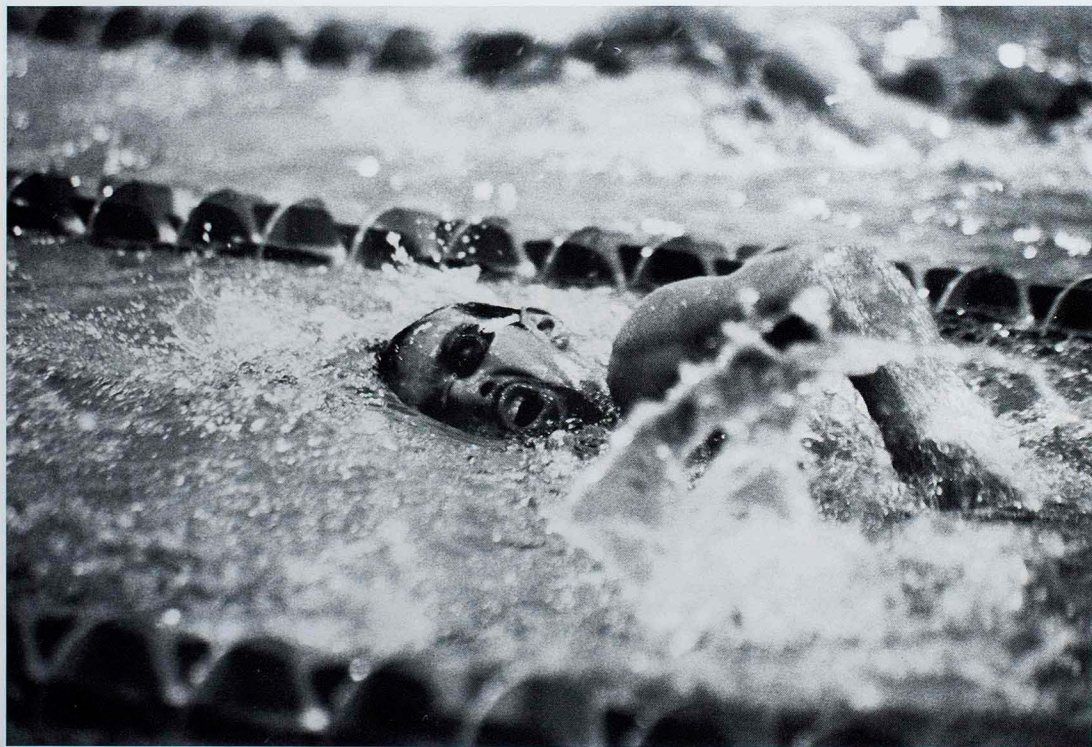
"This is our one chance a year to swim as fast as possible," Wysocki said. "Shaving is just another element, along with physical and mental preparation, to help us compete at this higher level."

The 1997-98 men's swimming team was the best Truman had seen.

The team was ranked fourth in the nation and hoped to place in the top three at nationals, with or without hair.

by Carey Michenfelder

Sophomore Patrick Hill swims the freestyle in practice. The Bulldogs practiced several times to prepare for meets including the Mideast Classic Championships. The team finished in second place. (photo by Mary Ziegler)



Returners plus freshmen

The women's swimming team qualifies a

equal perfect combination

record number of swimmers for nationals

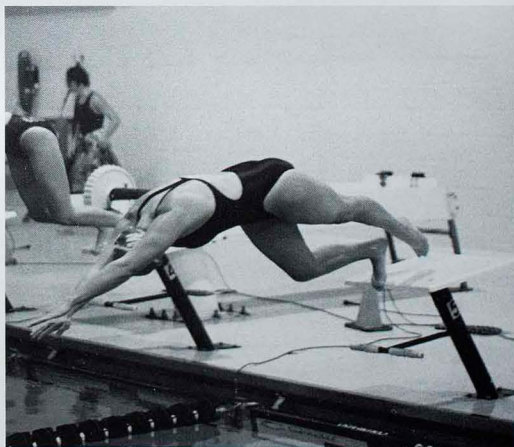
Assistant Coaches Jared Kuntz and Greg Kristoff

Jared Kuntz was a four-year letterwinner at Truman who chose to coach instead of swim his senior year. He swam the butterfly and sprint freestyle while on the team. Kuntz was a finance major from Independence, Mo.

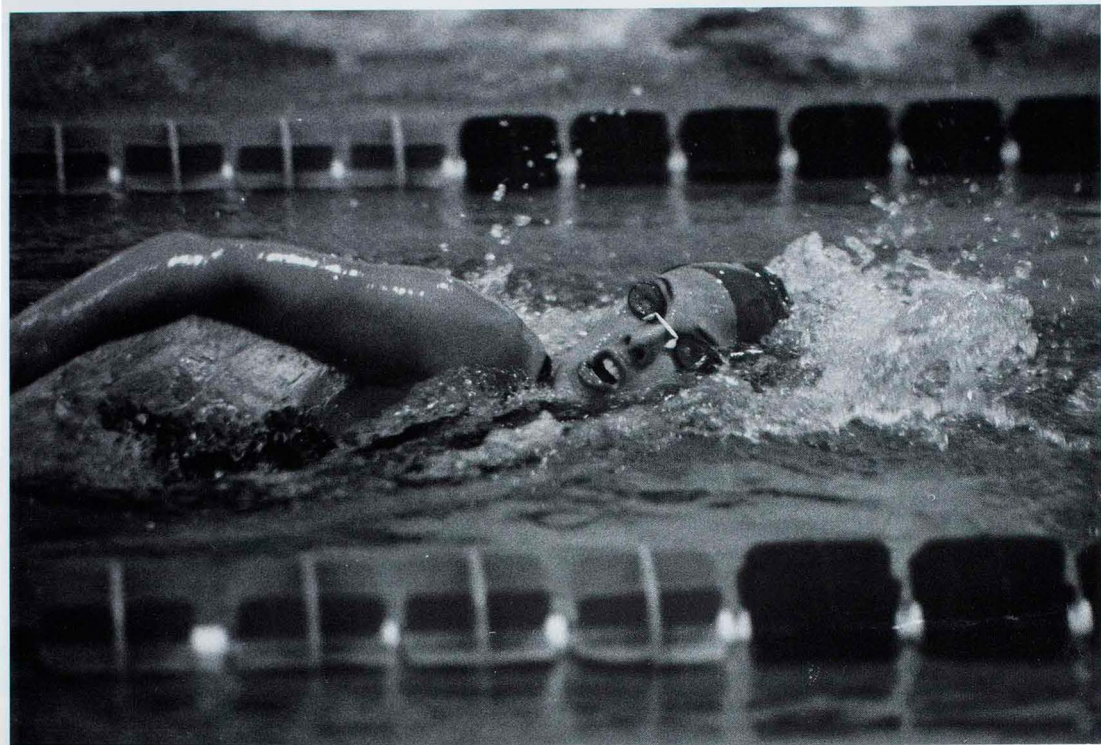
Senior Greg Kristoff was a former all-America backstroker and co-captain of the men's team. Kristoff was an exercise science/pre-physical therapy major from Ballwin, Mo. He held school records in the 200 backstroke and 200 individual medley.



1998 Women's Swimming Team: Row 1: Tracy Baiotto, Katie Weyforth, Jess Martin, Robin Owens, Jen Malone, Lori Shryock, Angie Miller, Sonya Burgers, Greg Kristoff, Coach Seth Huston and Jared Kuntz. Row 2: Christie Williamsen, Amanda Lybarger, Brittany Mikesic, Sasha Trendley, Erica Sparks, Angie Ridnour, Valerie Fowler, Sarah Reid, Jennifer Vogt and Chad Kerksick. Row 3: Sarah Myer, Nicole Winters, Sarah Dunn, Bryna Busch, Beth Lojewski, Jill Myers, Andrea Newton and Carolyn Hepburn.



Junior Emily Jentes dives into the water during practice to swim a few laps. Jentes was a returning letterwinner who competed in freestyle. Practices included more than just swimming, such as lifting weights and calisthenics. (photo by Mary Ziegler)



Six experienced swimmers and five new freshmen created just the right recipe to take the women's swimming team to nationals.

The team increased its qualifiers from three the previous year. Coach Seth Huston attributed the increase of national qualifiers to the progress of the returning swimmers and the strength of the incoming freshmen.

"It's a more talented team in general," Huston said. "The talented freshmen class and the experienced returning class was definitely the right combination."

The team, which averaged seven to nine practices a week, won both the Mini's Classic Championship and the Mideast Classic for the fifth year in a row. During the season the team broke 14 out of 18 records.

In Huston's four years of coaching, he said this team was the most enjoyable.

"It's a very hard working team," he said. "Personality-wise they are fun, motivated people which meshed with my personality and my work ethic. I had more in common with this group than any other in the past."

Huston attributed the team's hard work ethic to the motivation instilled by senior co-captain Carolyn Hepburn.

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Coach Seth Huston

"She works hard, and she's motivated to excel and improve," Huston said. "She's very positive with people. She'd go above and beyond the call of duty, and it's noticeable."

During the beginning of the season, some of the older team members were afraid the incoming freshmen's abilities would overshadow them. But, the team overcame those insecurities, Hepburn said.

"It was impressive because at the end of the season, everyone came together and was supportive, and we focused on what we had to do," Hepburn said.

Freshman qualifier Christie Williamson said the team's cohesiveness encouraged her to do her best throughout the season.

"Our team has a really close-knit relationship," Williamson said. "Everyone cheers everyone else. I think that really helps everyone to achieve their ultimate performance."

Practicing the freestyle, senior Valerie Fowler works hard during practice. Fowler transferred from the University of Missouri-St. Louis her sophomore year. The team practiced hard throughout the month of February for the Mideast Classic Championships. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

By Marya Lucas

Friendship went a lot further than just being teammates for both the men's and women's tennis teams.

Coached by Pete Kendall, both teams shared a special bond. Not only did the guys and girls get along separately, but both teams interacted together.

"The teams are so cool; I love all the guys and girls," senior Shawn Siegele said. "Tennis players are super odd, and those are the best kind."

Out of the 20 players on both tennis teams, six seniors graduated after the season.

"I think that having a senior-dominated men's team has made for a special year," Siegele said. "The bonds come from having a lot of seniors and a new bunch of freshmen that are really fun."

The women also had their own year of bonding.

Senior Kelli Brady commented on the need for friendships on the teams.

"Friendships are really the most important thing you can develop in college," she said. "It's what you will remember when you are gone and what will help you through the rough times when you're here."

With the men's and women's

"Tennis players are super odd, and those are the best kind."

senior Shawn Siegele

games scheduled at the same time, the teams became well acquainted throughout the year.

"Usually we travel in separate vans, but once we stop to eat, stay at the hotel or arrive at the match site, we interact a lot more," Brady said.

Many members agreed that the trips created some of the best times.

"It's always fun or at least interesting," senior Cole Haynes said. "In the guy's van we always end up discussing some entertaining topic."

No matter what happened in the future, all the team members would have fond memories from the many hours spent together.

"I think we're really lucky to get to travel men's and women's teams together," Siegele said. "It balances everything—gives us fans and friends. It's been awesome."

by Carey Michenfelder

Returning the ball, sophomore Olesya Paramonova practices her forehand shot. The women's team worked hard at improving from its third place finish in 1997. Paramonova came from the country of Kazakhstan where she was all-city for five years and all-county twice.

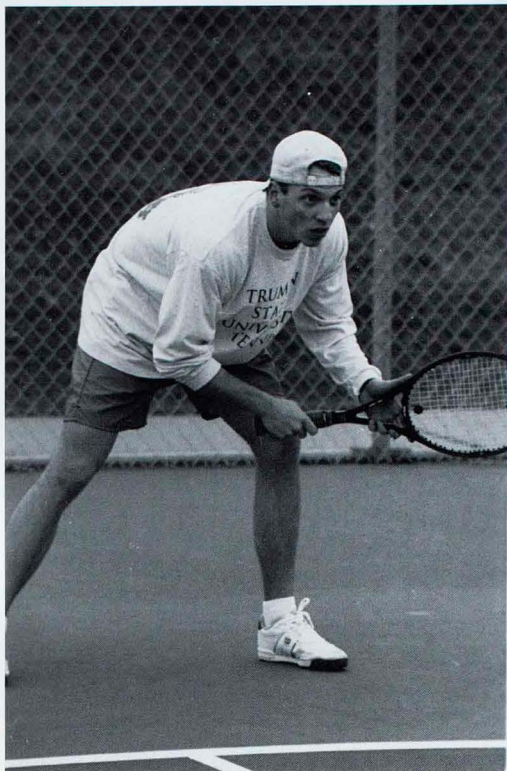


Coach Pete Kendall

Pete Kendall began his sixth season as head coach of the men's and women's tennis teams this year. Before coming to Truman, Kendall coached at Methodist College where the men's and women's teams were ranked each year in the NCAA Division III. For six years, Kendall coached at the Bahrain Sport Institute and coached the Bahrain National Junior tennis team to six Persian Gulf Championships. Since his return, Kendall had taken players and teams to the NCAA tournament each year.



1997-98 Tennis Team: Row 1: Jessica Bickel, Mary Sprague, Krista Thieme, Courtney Jeter, Kelli Brady, Marilee Boullear, Iris del Rosario, Kathy Mallon, Olesya Paramonova and Lindsey Daniels. Row 2: Beth Ann Peiper, Brent Hughes, Cole Haynes, Shane Collins, John Balven, Matt Lazinski, Jeff Borengasser, Tim Freiberg, Nathan Artz, Shawn Siegele, Matt Saabye and Coach Pete Kendall.



In position to return the ball, senior Matt Saabye, eyes the other side of the net. The men's team returned with six of its eight starters from the previous season and were looking to be ranked in the Midwest again. Saabye was working to improve on last year's fourth-place finish at number six singles. (photos submitted)

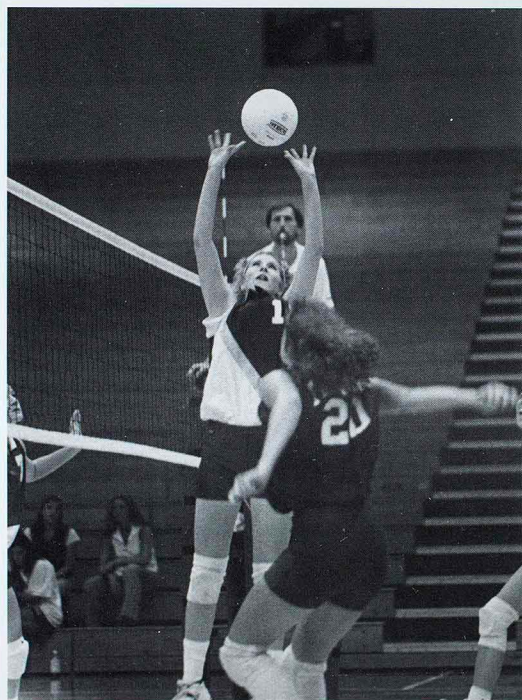
The bonds of friendship
Men's and women's tennis teams bond
add to the tennis teams
as friends during away tournaments

Change in Roster at the

Becky Eggering replaces Debbie Masten

Head of the Bench

as the women's head volleyball coach



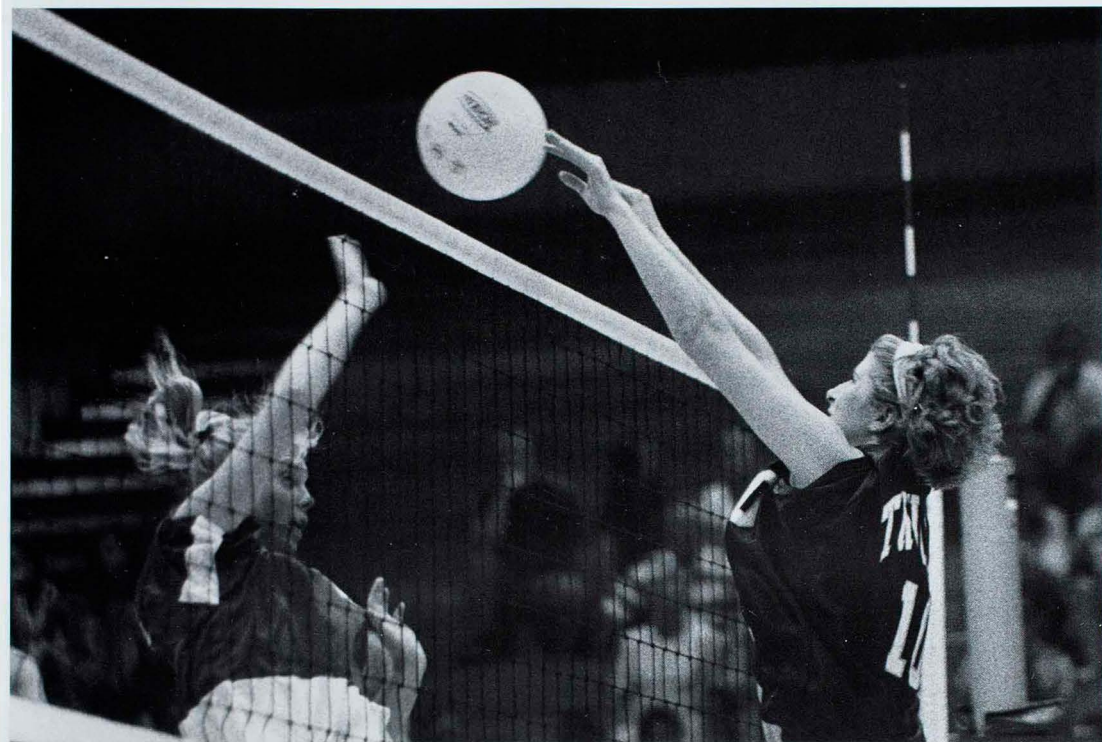
Junior setter Kelly Mangels sets freshman Janelle Zehr as she prepares to hit across the net. Mangels averaged 1.1 assists per game, while Zehr was new as a middle hitter. New and returning players adjusted to new Head Coach Becky Eggering. (photo by Mary Zeigler)

1997 Volleyball Team: Row 1: Stacie Mannis, Jennifer Lindsey, Mollie Holtkamp, Becky Tillman and Jamie Moenster. Row 2: Liz Klinkhamer, Jamie Shea, Kelly Mangels and Betsy McGovern. Row 3: Janelle Zehr, Jennifer Sigman, Gretchen Bouton, Laura VanByssum and Carrie Reynolds.

Coach Becky Eggering

A native of Old Monroe, Mo., Becky Eggering coached her first year at Truman during the 1997 season. Eggering was a 1993 graduate of the College of William and Mary (Va.) where she earned a bachelor's degree in English. She also received a master's in physical education and health from Murray State University (Ky.). Eggering served as a coach at various other schools such as the University of Iowa, Murray State and St. Charles Community College. Eggering spent time in Vienna, Austria, where she played for the Austrian Professional Volleyball Team. While at the College of William and Mary, Eggering was a four-year starter for its Division I team.





With college sports teams, it was usual to see the line-up change or players graduate.

With the women's volleyball team, however, it was not only the players that changed, but the coaching staff as well.

A new face appeared at games as Head Coach Debbie Masten was replaced by Becky Eggering at the end of the 1996-97 school year.

Eggering had served as assistant coach at the University of Iowa. Originally from St. Louis, Eggering was familiar with the school and its reputation.

The new coach brought dedication and excitement to the women's team.

"Eggering did everything in her power to get to know the players by coming down during the spring semester every chance she got in, order to run the practices and get to know the play-

ers," said junior setter Kelly Mangels. "These visits also gave the team an opportunity to see her style, but we really didn't get to know her well until the pre-season."

As usual, any change in coaching staff affected the players. Jamie Shea, a junior outside hitter, said the team had adjusted

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Coach Becky Eggering

well to having Eggering as a coach.

"There's a great difference in style between the two," Shea said. "Coach Masten was all about working hard, and Coach Eggering maintains more of a positive outlook. Practices have been more fun and relaxed."

Eggering appreciated the dedicated attitude her players showed in practice.

"It's difficult sometimes, especially for the senior players who worked for four years with Coach Masten and obviously had strong feelings for her," Eggering said. "But our seniors provide wonderful leadership for the rest of the team."

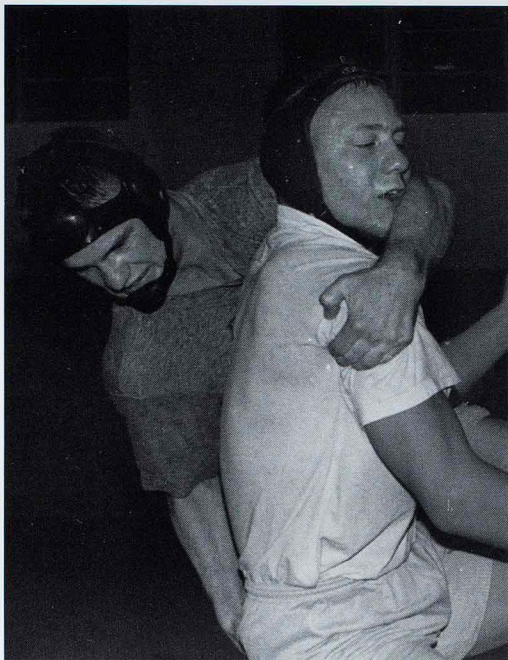
The team was able to get on the court and put forth full effort, despite any adjustments they might have made. They played as a team, and above all, the games continued, and the team focused on winning.

by Joshua Lenon

Tipping the ball over the net, junior setter Kelly Mangels attempts to score for Truman. Mangels was a transfer student from the University of South Dakota. She served as the team's setter. The team performed well throughout the season thanks to the new head coach. (photo by Mary Zeigler)

With determination on his face, senior Ken Gawronski practices his maneuvers on junior Calvin Buhler. Buhler finished first at the MacMurray Invitational and second at the Labette, SIU-E and Carson-Newman tournaments his sophomore year. Gawronski joined Truman's team the previous season. (photo by Laura Meyers)

1997-98 Men's Wrestling team:
 Row 1: Ken Gawrowski, Calvin Buhler, Matt Markham, Scott Buckallew, Chris Brown, Brad Kieffer, Sean Fowler and Head Coach Dave Schutter. Row 2: Andy Hirsh, Student Assistant Katherine Heyer, Student Assistant Jennifer Duplissie, James Lemay, Chris Benner, Gabe Fisher, Kristian Robert, Scott Wence and Student Assistant Coach Andy Rouse.



Coach Dave Schutter

Dave Schutter began his eighth season as head coach of the Bulldog wrestling team. He began his collegiate career at Indiana State, where he was a four-year letterman and finished third in the NCAA Division I Midwest Regional meet. Schutter served in the U.S. Army from 1987-90 and was a member of the all-Army wrestling team. He competed in Eastern and Western Europe and was a finalist for the 1988 Olympic Trials. Schutter was the coach of the Wruzberg (Germany) wrestling team and co-head coach of the U.S. Army Europe wrestling team. Schutter received the Mid-South Wrestling Association Coach of the Year Award for the 1996-97 season.

Wrestlers learn the tricks of
Wrestlers keep up with strict guidelines
the trade in cutting weight
in order to maintain their weight

Even one pound made a difference in wrestling. Along with practicing six days a week, wrestlers had to continually watch their weight.

The wrestlers were categorized into ten weight groups. The groups ranged from 118 pounds to heavyweights. The heavyweights included wrestlers in the range from 191 to 275 pounds.

Before each game, all the players were weighed. If they did not exactly meet their weight or were under, they couldn't compete.

According to NCAA regulations, wrestlers were only allowed to practice six days a week and for no more than 20 hours.

"If it weren't for the regulations, I'm sure coach would have us practicing on Sundays, too," junior Calvin Buhler said.

The team practiced several times throughout a day.

"Most of the time, we practice twice a day," sophomore Chris Benner said.

As a result of the weight classes, wrestlers learned about eating healthier.

"It has helped me [learn] a lot about nutrition and it has given me the mental toughness associated with losing weight," Benner said.

This did not always mean the wrestlers ate healthy, though.

"I am not saying that I have always cut weight in a healthy

"There are all kinds of little tricks wrestlers do to cut weight."

junior Calvin Buhler

manner," Buhler said. "There is no way I could compete at the weight I do and maintain it all season if I didn't do some of the things I do."

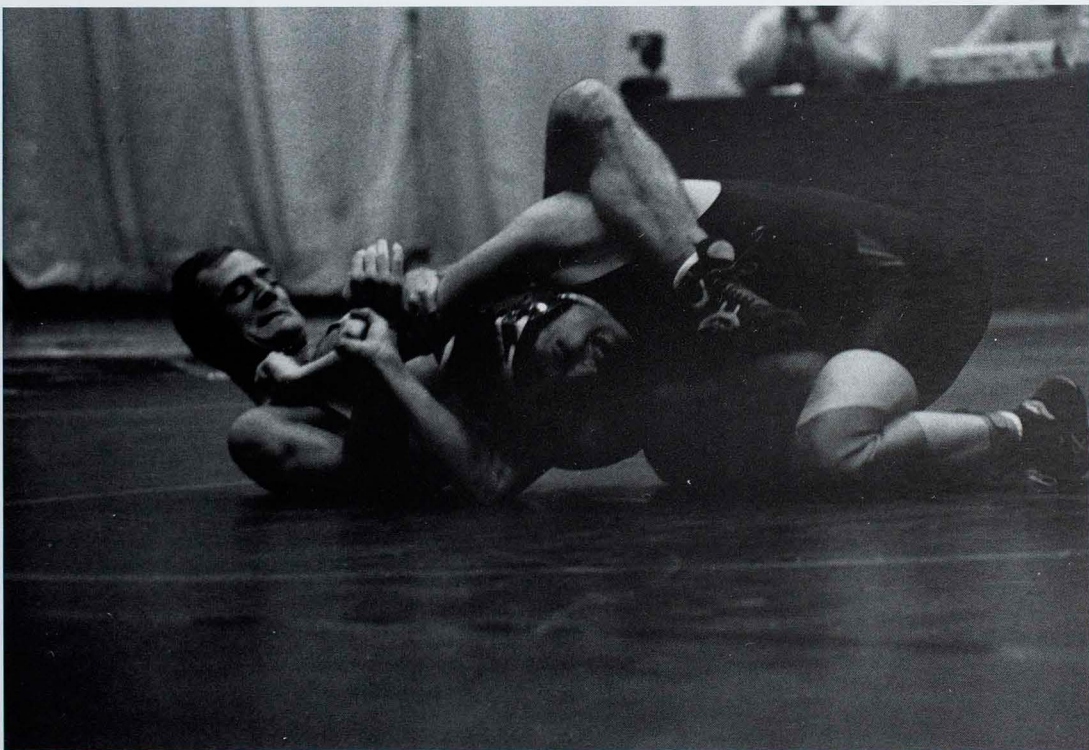
It also wasn't a secret that wrestlers sometimes were forced to push themselves too hard in order to maintain a certain weight class.

"There are all kinds of little tricks wrestlers do to cut weight," Buhler said. "Most people think these are unhealthy, but I guarantee wrestlers are more in shape overall than any other athlete. Anyone that cuts any considerable amount of weight has trouble maintaining it. But once you make the weight once, it gets easier and easier every time."

Wrestling was a unique sport in that it involved a continuous struggle to maintain a specific weight.

by Carey Michenfelder

Gaining the upper-hand on his opponent, junior Matt Markham prepares for the pin. Markham won the MacMurray Invitational in 1996-97 and placed fourth in the Carson-Newman Invitational. (photo by Laura Meyers)



DO YOU FEEL THAT CLUB SPORTS GET THE SAME RESPECT AS UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS?

"Club sports are a good alternative to the mainstream. Club sports, like snowboarding at the Olympics, will gain popularity and support through publicity."

~senior
Sarah Roll

"I think that they should be recognized more by the University. If there was more funding available for club sports, they may do even better and make the school look better, too."

~sophomore
Sibyl Cato

"Any kind of sport is a good sport. Sports offer a competitive atmosphere that keeps the spirit alive."

~freshman
Curtis Cira

"Club sports give more students the opportunity to participate in athletic competition. They should receive more support from the University."

~junior
Casey Morris

COSTLY VS. COST-FREE

Many Truman students involved themselves with sports activities, whether it was a varsity or club sport.

Truman students chose to be active in these sports for a variety of reasons. A few varsity players chose to pursue a sport because they

received a scholarship. A number of club sport players decided to play because they enjoyed the sport or they wanted to get in shape.

"I play rugby because it gives me something to do to stay in shape and it was something new to challenge me," freshman Melissa Fuller said.

There was a variety of disadvantages and advantages to being involved in both varsity and club sports.

One of the disadvantages of being in a club sport was the money. Men's rugby team members

had to pay a \$53 club fee the first semester and a \$73 club fee the next semester. In addition to the club fee, the players had to buy their own shoes and shorts and were responsible for their own ride to the game.

Most varsity sports were expense-free. For example, for the men's varsity basketball team, the University paid for the players' shoes, socks, uniforms and any other needs. Also, the players were chauffeured to games in a bus. The University paid for the meals and accommodations while the team traveled.

"I think that the college should fund rugby and buy our shorts and shoes," freshman Brad Kinnear said, "because we practice as hard as any other sport."

Both varsity and club sports practiced in order to be successful. The players of both varsity and club sports devoted much time to their sports.

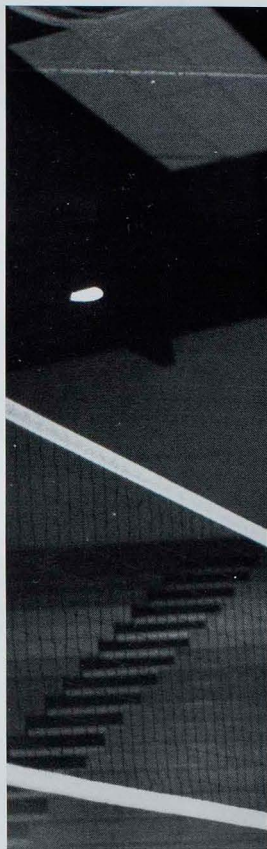
One of the differences, though, was that varsity sports continued to cross train and practice up to 10 hours a week after their season was completed.

"The hardest part of basketball is missing class for road trips and trying to stay caught up in school," freshman Dan Mailath said.

An advantage of club sports, though, was that the coaches were more lenient when it came to missing practices. Also, club sports did not have any GPA requirement in order to play, whereas varsity sports did not have this luxury.

Overall, the athletes chose to deal with both the positive and negative aspects in order to enjoy their sports.

by Jeri Munsterman



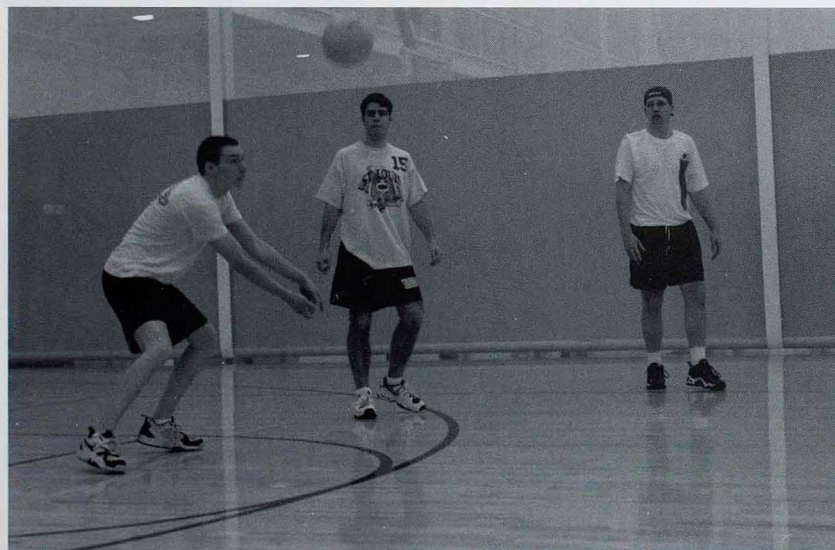
University

- ✗ There were 21 University athletic teams at Truman State University.
- ✗ There were 13 club sports registered in the Campus Activities and Organization Center.
- ✗ The men's volleyball and roller hockey teams took advantage of the multi-purpose room in the Student Recreation Center at least two times a week.
- ✗ There are 430 University students on average playing a University sport.

vs. club sports



Junior Jamie Shea returns the shot over the net as her teammates watch. The women's volleyball team was a University-sponsored sport participating in the MIAA Conference. The team started the season with a new coach, Becky Eggering, for the first time in 12 years. (photo by Mary Ziegler)



Freshman Gerry Giammanco sets the volleyball for his teammates. The men's volleyball team was a club sport at Truman. It had to raise all of its own money in order to compete in tournaments, except for what was given to the team by the Funds Allotment Council. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

When asked what team was the most successful on campus, most people would not think to mention the women's equestrian team.

"Many people do not know we exist," sophomore Jenny DeHart said, "even though we are perhaps one of the most successful teams on campus."

Formed seven years earlier by Heather Irvine and Carrie Crone, the equestrian team competed with colleges located in Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky and Illinois.

"The team has a good reputation, and the better we do the more people want to hear about us," senior Cara O'Connor said.

The team practiced every Thursday and Sunday at the Uni-

versity Farm. Competitions were held on the weekends throughout the year. Most professors were lenient on allowing team members to leave early for competitions.

"Sometimes for the trips, we may miss a day of school, but it's excused because it's school sponsored," DeHart said.

Anyone could join the equestrian team; however, if the team became too large, it could eventually be necessary to hold try-outs, said O'Connor.

Team members were grouped according to their experience and abilities.

"We have a class specifically for beginners, called walk-trot, so you don't have to have experience," DeHart said. "There are different levels that riders are placed in, according to their abil-

ity."

Competitions were difficult in that each rider was paired with a horse randomly and not allowed to practice beforehand. Points were awarded to riders who were able to control their horses throughout the competition.

First place in equestrian competitions was worth seven points, and in order to advance to the next level, the rider had to earn a total of 35 points.

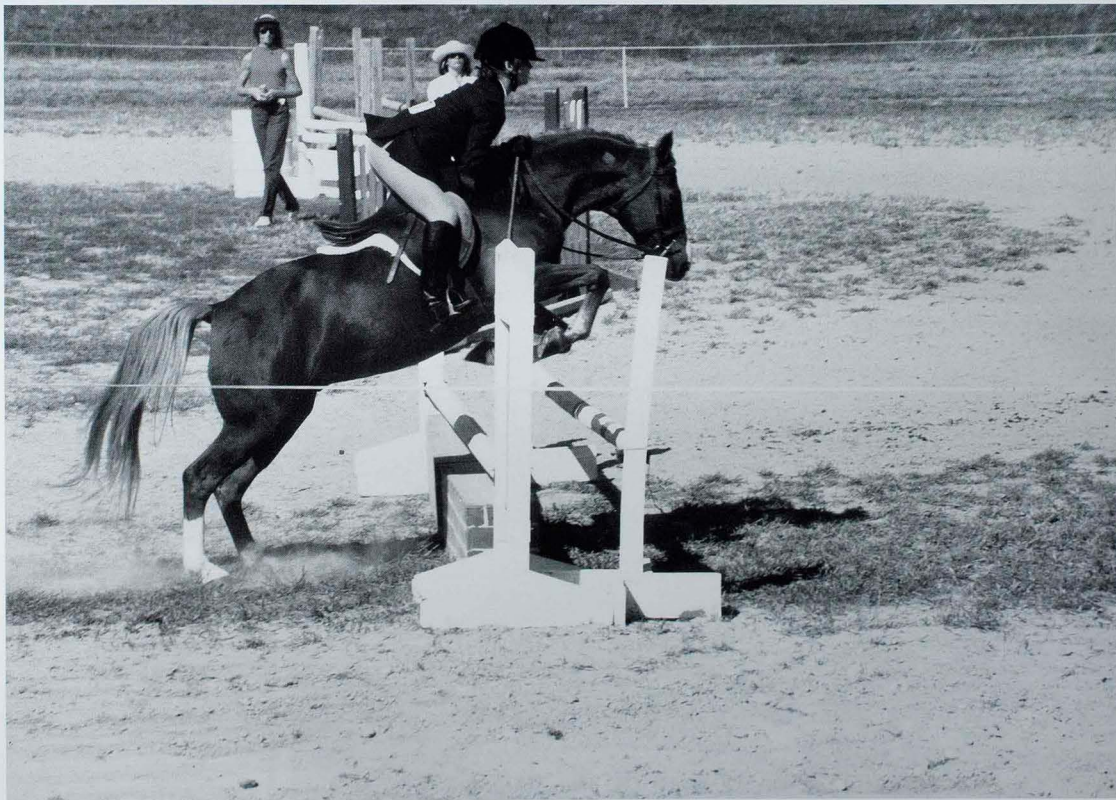
Twelve members of the Truman equestrian team qualified for regionals.

Besides just tough competition, the team had a strong bond between members.

"I hope the team continues to grow, but keep its friendly demeanor," O'Connorsaid. "We are all friends on the team, and it's great."

by Carey Michenfelder

Senior Missy Hofmiester competes in a jumping competition at Southern Illinois University. The Equestrian team competed in the surrounding states. The team was considered a club sport at the University.



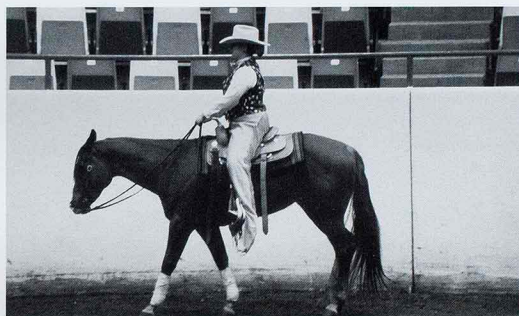
Trot to victory

Equestrian team works hard to make itself known to the University



Senior Sarah Brubaker competes in the riding-hunt competition at Middle Tennessee State University. Riding hunt was a competition judging whether the horseman rode in a smooth manner. Riding hunt originated in England and consisted of using a smaller saddle than in most competitions.

Riding stock, senior Tracy Snider competes at Western Kentucky University. Riding stock was judged on the way the rider could ride the horse in a smooth manner. It resembled the "western" way of riding, where riders wore the same attire and used a larger saddle.



Junior Evan Black competes in the riding stock competition at Western Kentucky University. The horses were drawn at random for each rider. The equestrian team practiced at the University Farm but had to travel through several states in order to compete. (photos submitted)



1997-98 Lacrosse Team: Row 1: Erica Sparks, Cara Murphy, Kari Kopp, Robyn Sullivan, Erin Markley and Kate Northcutt. Row 2: Coach Ryan Brown, Kristin Virag, Jill Walters, Leslie Dunn, Becky Raney, Colleen Corkery and Aimee Tackes. Row 3: Meghan Winter, Kate Cuniff, Jocelyn Diehl, Katie Anderson, Janelle Frye and Gina Garrett.

In an attempt to pick up a ground ball, the women's lacrosse team scrimmages at the University of Kansas April 4. The team practiced around four times a week in various spots on campus ranging from the field behind Dobson Hall to the Student Recreation Center. The team worked hard to build a name for itself.



New and hopeful

The lacrosse team works hard to recruit new players and publicize the team

Like most, if not all club sports, the women's lacrosse team lacked the recognition it needed.

"We hang posters all over campus about practices and go by word of mouth," sophomore Beth Doling said. "Some people know about [us], but if there was more support from the school, more people would want to join the team."

Sophomore co-president Becky Raney agreed that it was hard for just the team to publicize the events and practices.

"We have our shirts that we try and wear to publicize, but I don't think the majority of the campus even knows we exist," Raney said. "The sport was just becoming popular in St. Louis when I graduated, and since the majority of the

team is from the Midwest, I guess a lot of people aren't familiar with it."

Despite its lack of publicity, the team still remained positive. It practiced about four times a week at the Student Recreation Center, on the Quad and on the rugby field. About 25 women were on the team.

Senior co-president Kathleen Northcutt said the team was open to any female.

"It is easy for even the most non-athletic person to enjoy success and recognition on the field," Raney said. "It is an all encompassing game that anyone can fall in love with."

The lacrosse team was founded in May of 1996, and the women learned more every day.

"We have a lot of potential," Raney said. "We just need to re-

fine our skills a little more. Our team is very enthusiastic and we have a lot of young talent."

However, the weather prevented the team from playing as much as they would have liked.

As for the future of the team, the players didn't ask for much more than to be recognized and to play more games.

"I want people to know that it is a fun sport and that they would have a great experience if they joined the team," Doling said.

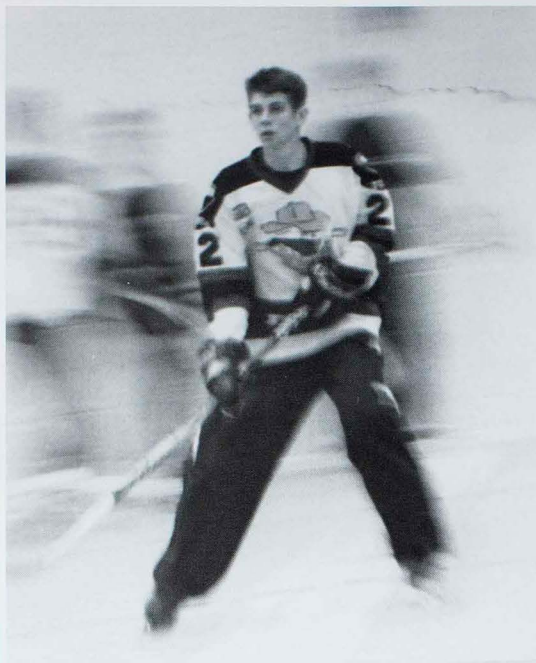
The lacrosse team remained confident that a few more years of publicity would help the team gain its needed recognition.

"The interest is growing, and this season we finally have a few games," Northcutt said. "Our goal is not only to win—it's to have fun and learn lacrosse."

by Carey Michenfelder

Drawing the ball, sophomore Jill Walters starts the next play. The lacrosse team was only in its second year at Truman and was looking to build even more, possibly competing in several tournaments. It only began to compete at the beginning of the 1997-98 season. (photos submitted)

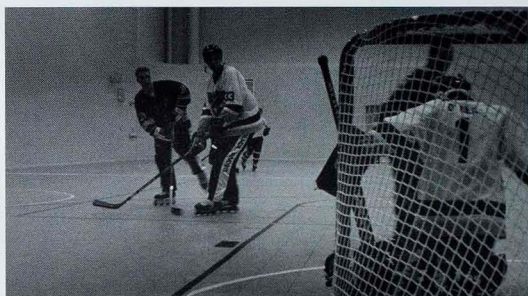
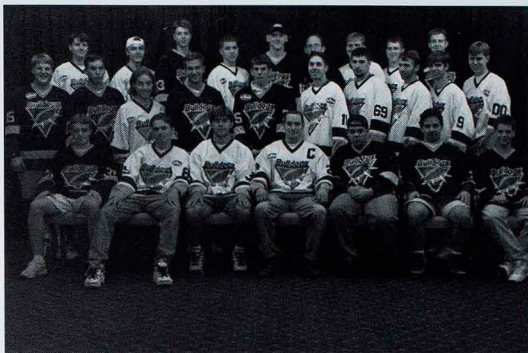




Freshman Josh McCabe eyes the other end of the rink during practice. The team practiced at Don's Skate Center in Macon, Mo., until the Student Rec Center became available for its use. The team was ranked first in the Midwest. (photo by Tina Patel)

Sophomore Tim O'Neil blocks the shot by sophomore Eric Staub after being screened off by sophomore Matt Horenkamp. The B-team practiced every Wednesday and Sunday night in the Student Rec Center. The team also competed in several tournaments during the year. (photo by Josh Adams)

1997-98 Roller Hockey Team: Row 1: Eric Staub, Doug Schaefer, Adrian Stone, Eric Habert-A-team captain, Tony Russo-B-team captain, Scott Cavin and Tim O'Neil. Row 2: Ryan Emmett, Matt Bowles, Andrew Stough, Brian Stone-B-team alternate captain, Josh McCabe, Jeff Leipoltz, Michael Factor, Ken Garthe, Jason Tuffli and Brian Stephenson. Keith McCoy-A-team alternate captain, Rhys Boschert, Matt Horenkamp, Steve Pollihan-A-team alternate captain, Ryan Weisheyer, John Dahlem, Dan Thomasson, Kevin McCoy and Tim Flowers.



Dogs skate home

**Team still has nowhere to compete;
new rink not up to regulations**

They didn't have a coach or a season schedule but still continued to sacrifice their time and energy to form the roller hockey team.

In 1996 team members drove two nights a week to Don's Skate Center in Macon to practice.

"Traveling that far [30 miles] was a big hassle every Tuesday and Thursday night," alternate captain Steve Pollihan said.

During the 1997-98 season, the team walked to the Student Recreation Center to practice in the new rink. Although the team had a rink on campus, it was only good for practices. There was not sufficient room for spectators.

"Concrete walls, a one-player bench with the door opening the wrong way, [limited] spectator

space and improper dimensions make it impossible for us to hold games on campus," senior defenseman Mike Factor said.

Even though there were glitches to work out, the team maintained a strong bond.

"This team works as well as any group that I've ever played [with]," junior defenseman Keith McCoy said. "I think it is because we are all good friends and really close."

Many of the new members were placed on the B-team. If the A-team ever lacked the number of players needed for a game, then the top players for the B-team stepped up to play.

"The B-team has just as many opportunities for intercollegiate play as the A-team does," Factor said. "I'm sure many are disappointed [on not making the A-

team], but only so many members can be on a team and with such a huge response for try-outs, cuts had to be made."

Even though the new practice facility may not have been perfect, the team wasn't complaining.

"The rink's about three-fourths the size of the rink we played on last year," goalie Ken Garthe said. "We used to play four on four, but now we play three on three and can play for free instead of paying \$7 a week."

The team members played because they loved the game.

"I don't think we complain as much as we demand some recognition and respect," Pollihan said. "We recently ranked third in the nation and for any sport that is quite an accomplishment."

by Carey Michenfelder

On the offense, the A-team skates toward its goal in the Roller Hockey National Championships. The championship tournament was held in Las Vegas in early September. The Bulldogs finished third, an improvement in comparison to their sixth-place finish in 1996. (photo submitted)



There was more work involved in being a rugby player than was seen on the field.

Because the Bulls and Bullets rugby teams were club sports, rather than varsity teams, they had to raise a lot of their own funds.

Both teams said they were grateful for the help the University did provide them. The Funds Allotment Council helped both teams with home-game expenses, including referees' fees.

Costs like transportation and hotels were not covered by the University. It was up to each team to cover these expenses.

Co-captain Tracey Mertens said the Bullets cut costs by carpooling to all of its tournaments. Team members also

stayed in the homes of friends and family, rather than hotels, when they traveled.

"When we went to Rolla we had 17 girls staying in my house," Mertens said. "We are good house guests."

Kyle Roach, vice captain of the Bulls, said the team did some of its own fund-raising. Each player had to sell T-shirts and sweatshirts to raise money. The Bulls also had an alumni game where many alumni donated to the team's needs.

The Bullets also raised some of its own money through sales. The women had a few car washes in the fall. They also did a fund raiser with Citibank.

Aside from monetary support, the rugby teams lacked other advantages that varsity teams had. The teams often had problems getting access to the facilities they

wanted.

"The band has priority of the field over us," Roach said.

But Roach said being a club sport had its advantages as well. He thought the team had more freedom to make its own decisions.

"The club can make decisions without consulting the University," Roach said.

Mertens said the Bullets had no grudges against varsity teams.

"We play bigger-name schools than any of the varsity teams," Mertens said.

Even though the duties of a rugby player went beyond playing a good match, it did not show when the Bulls and Bullets took the field.

by Jennifer Odefey

With one defenseman to go, freshman Harry Quan finishes fighting through his opponents. The Bulls Rugby Team played several games at Truman that were funded by the Funds Allotment Council. Extra money was raised for away games and tournaments. (photo by Chandra Lim)



Rugby sees green

As club sports, the Bulls and Bullets must earn most of their own money

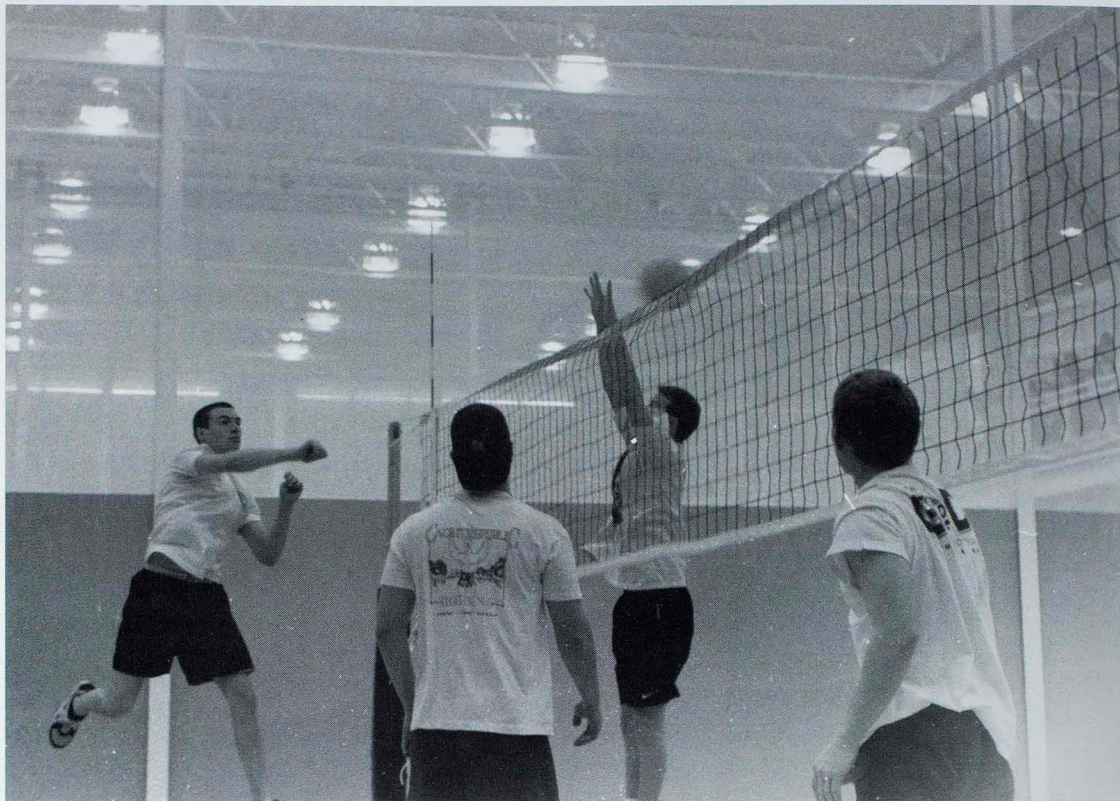
1997-98 Bullet's Rugby Team: Row 1: Molly Nahm, Tracey S. Mertens-captain, Amy Gallop, Teresa Putnam, Shannon Powers, Sara Corcoran-co-captain and Lindsay Switzer. Row 2: Stephanie Brenneke, Monica Schultz, Amy Urban, Rachel Williams, Heidi Atwell, Christine Esneacelt and Leanna Heritage. Row 3: Michelle Chandler, Mari Quinn, Emily DeBaene, Fran Swartz, Vanessa Smith and Kjrsten Abel.



1997-98 Bull's Rugby Team: Row 1: Bryan Lay, Brian Eichholz, Jim Cain-treasurer, Mike Arnold, Billy Siems-captain, Kyle Roach-vice captain and Bob Hirth. Row 2: Tiny Richmond, Harry Kuan, Benji Tinnin, Aaron Patton, Brian Newcomb, Thomas Peck and Tim Russo. Row 3: Dan Brady, Lars Strickland, Damien Busold, Dominic Orlando, Kyle Kuhlman, George Steele and Brandon Hamberg.



Fingertips are all that touch the ball as freshman Emily DeBaene misses the catch in a lineout. The team consisted of about 25 women. The Bullets Rugby Team traveled throughout the nation competing in the Heart of America Union and had two of its teammates named Most Valuable Player in the Heart of America Tournament. (photo submitted)



Extended in the air, freshman Gerry Giammanco spikes it past fellow teammate sophomore Ryan Schmidt. The volleyball team practiced a couple times a week in the Student Recreation Center. Despite the fact that the team was small, it consistently met for practices.

The difference between men's and women's volleyball teams was the obvious--gender--and that the men's volleyball team was not recognized as a University sport.

Men's volleyball, although started many years ago as a club sport, had yet to be recognized.

Being a club sport prevented men's volleyball from receiving many of the benefits given to varsity sports.

Senior Thad Baker believed the men's volleyball team lacked the benefits of being a University-sponsored sport.

"We might have more money to actually go places and better equipment," Baker said. "Right now, one person organizes everything for the team, and it is a

real hassle."

Unfortunately, during the season, the team was plagued with bad luck. Three of its starting players were faced with injuries, forcing the team to cancel upcoming tournaments.

As a result of the injuries, the team had a lack of competitions throughout the season. Therefore, the team did not receive the media coverage that other teams received.

"The team was left to pass information about games by word of mouth," sophomore Jeremy McCormick said.

Instead of complaining about the team's problems though, Baker looked on the bright side.

"We don't need the tournament money, so we'll use it to buy a new net and some new balls," Baker said. "Whatever is

left over, we'll use next year."

For the time being, the only action the team saw was against its teammates at practice.

"We don't play other teams very often," McCormick said. "We normally play in tournaments against Missouri colleges."

If men's volleyball was a University sport, the players could depend on their coach during these times. However, being a club sport left the team to depend on themselves to solve problems and organize everything.

The team still looked forward to a regular schedule and recognition from its community.

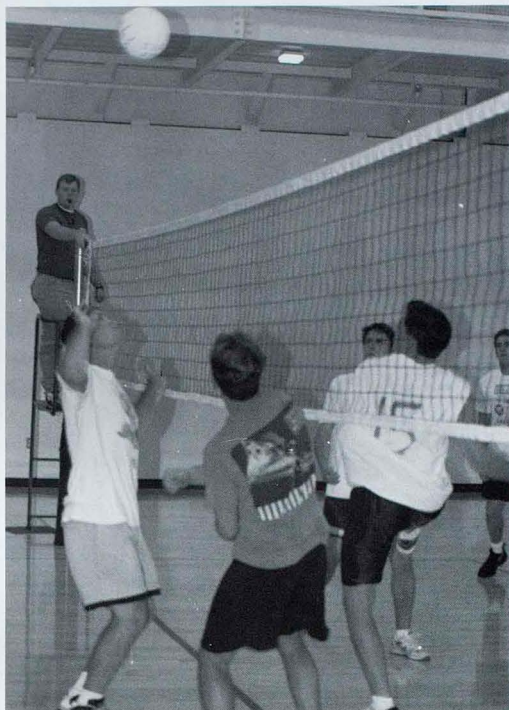
"We are currently trying to join a club volleyball conference," Baker said. "If this happens, we will have a regular set schedule all year long."

by Carey Michenfelder

Senior Mike Fuller prepares the spike as senior Johnny Childs and freshman Gerry Giammanco team up to block the shot. Due to several injuries, the volleyball team was unable to compete in many tournaments throughout the year. It used the extra funds to purchase new equipment.



1997-98 Men's Volleyball Team: Row 1: Mike Favazza, Johnny Childs, Ryan Schmidt, Mike Fuller. Row 2: Eric Reuther, Thad Baker, Gerry Giammanco.



Freshman Mike Favazza prepares to tip the volleyball over as senior Mike Fuller attempts to block the shot. The men's volleyball team participated in a few tournaments that were held throughout the year. It was in the process of working out a deal to join a volleyball conference toward the end of the season. (photos by Cheri Heiser)

Serve it over

Volleyball team plagued with injury and heartache, but keeps head high

DO YOU FEEL THAT INTRAMURALS ARE PUBLICIZED ENOUGH TO NON-GREEKS?

"I feel that intramurals could have been more publicized. Not being in a sorority made it hard for me to know when events were taking place."

~sophomore
Carrie Trauterman

"I found that I knew enough about intramurals and so I was able to get more involved. I was also part of a sorority so that made it easier."

~sophomore
Amanda Mitchell

"Since I was part of a fraternity, it was easy for me to get involved. I participated in several intramurals and felt that I always knew when they were occurring."

~freshman
William Enochs

"I feel that intramurals should be more publicized, so the public knows more about them and then more people would be involved."

~sophomore
Adam Gebhardt

GREEKS VS. GROUPS

The social fraternities were well-known for their T-shirts stating their participation in intramural sports. Students were often left to falsely think that intramural sports were simply for the social fraternities and sororities of Truman State University.

Intramural sports were planned by the University, allowing students who did not participate in varsity athletics the chance to play in competition. They were given the option to compete in groups or on a single basis. Many fraternities and sororities chose to participate as a group. Some students; however, felt that the events were not publicized well.

"There definitely needs to be more information to non-Greeks because it comes off as a Greek thing," freshman Heather Dye said. "There needs to be more publicity around campus for everyone to know when events are scheduled."

Students were surprised to find there were actually more non-Greek players than there were Greek players in intramurals. Out of the 2,699 students who participated in the four major intramurals of softball, volleyball, indoor soccer and basketball, nearly 60 per-

cent of them were from open teams. Despite the lack of publicity, 1,566 students participated in intramural sports as an open player.

"I knew there were non-Greek teams, but I didn't realize there were so many," senior Stephanie Rowe said.

Some students felt that there was an easy solution to the problem of Greek versus non-Greek intramurals. They felt that splitting the intramural sports into two divisions would be more effective.

"They should make an all-Greek competition and a non-Greek competition," freshman Kevin Quinn said. "Greeks make a big deal out of it and it makes it harder for non-Greek teams to play due to lack of support."

Students continued to play despite the false knowledge that intramural sports was simply a Greek event. Even though Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority had won for the last several years, that did not stop the non-Greek members from participating.

"Everyone should participate and have a good time," Sig Ep member David Hill said. "It's not just about Greek organizations."

by Jeremy Early



Greeks vs.

- ✖ Nearly 68 percent of the participants in intramural sports were men.
- ✖ Over 58 percent of the teams that participated in intramural sports were from non-Greek teams.
- ✖ The most popular team sport for intramurals was basketball, with 33 percent of the students participating.
- ✖ Of the four major events, only 15 percent of the students participated in indoor soccer.

non-Greeks



Some teams gather to play intramural basketball in the Student Recreation Center. Intramurals were played by over one-third of the University's students. Even though Greek organizations usually won most events, there were more non-Greek teams than Greek. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

Students participate in all areas of intramurals from playing to refereeing. Even though men and women participated, men accounted for 68 percent of the athletes. The champions for the 1997-98 school year were the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and the women of Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority. (photo by Josh Adams)

WHAT ARE YOUR FEELINGS ON ATTENDANCE AT SPORTING EVENTS?

"It's a big problem at Truman. The teams really play hard and are not supported by the students."

~sophomore
Emily Sides

"It's a sickening lack of school spirit."

~freshman
Mike Brewer

"More people should support our teams. Participation creates a positive attitude among the teams."

~sophomore
Abby Heeter

"Lack of attendance just shows that people don't have enough time. If I had the time to go to the events, I'd definitely go."

~freshman
Matt Nicoletta

"I never hear about the games. I think giving away money was a good idea. I guess I should go to the games. I want money!"

~sophomore
Chris Russell

PLAY VS. PICKLER

To go or not to go? That was the question many Truman students faced when considering a University athletic event as a source of entertainment.

From rugby to football, nearly every sport was open to the student body. Low turnouts at such events, however, led many to wonder where the sports fans were hiding and what was wrong with Truman school spirit.

"Attendance was up from what it had been for the past three or four years."

*Athletic Director
Walter Ryle*

that of past years.

"Attendance was up from what it had been for the past three or four years," Ryle said. "There is such pressure here on students academically, though, that many of them can't find the time away from the books to attend games."

University athletes felt students' support in those who did attend the games. Enthusiastic and supportive crowds proved that school spirit could be measured in quality, not quantity.

"Our crowds are always very enthusiastic and excited, especially when a game is really close," freshman cheerleader Carrie Newson said. "Sometimes I can hardly hear myself cheering over all of the crowd's noise. They are always very supportive."

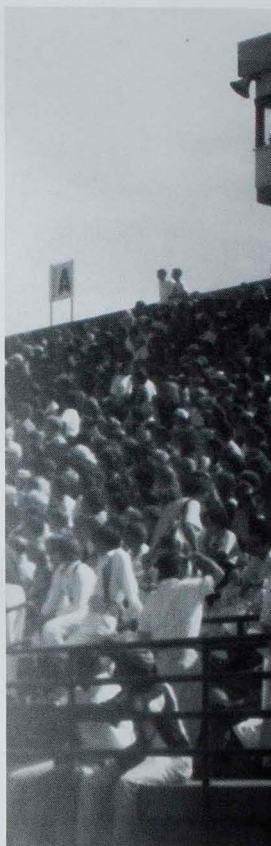
Of those who chose to attend University sporting events held on campus, the most popular were football and basketball games.

"I go to the football games because I really enjoy football, and I have a lot of fun when I go," junior Amanda White said. "I am always excited to go and show my support."

Some students went to show support for their friends who played on the teams, rather than for an interest in the sport itself.

"I have been to quite a few swim meets because I have friends who are swimmers," freshman Teresa Terry said. "I really don't have time because of homework to go to anything else."

Homework and studying were major factors in determining whether or not to go to a particular event. While certain sports experienced low turnouts in the past, University Athletic Director Walter Ryle said that attendance was actually up from



Attendance

- ✗ An average of 4,109 people attended each football game.
- ✗ The men's basketball team had an average of 939 people attend its games, while the women's team had only 460 people in attendance on average.
- ✗ Each softball game was attended by about 89 people.
- ✗ Approximately 400 programs were printed for each men's basketball game.

vs. Studies

by Kelly Levins

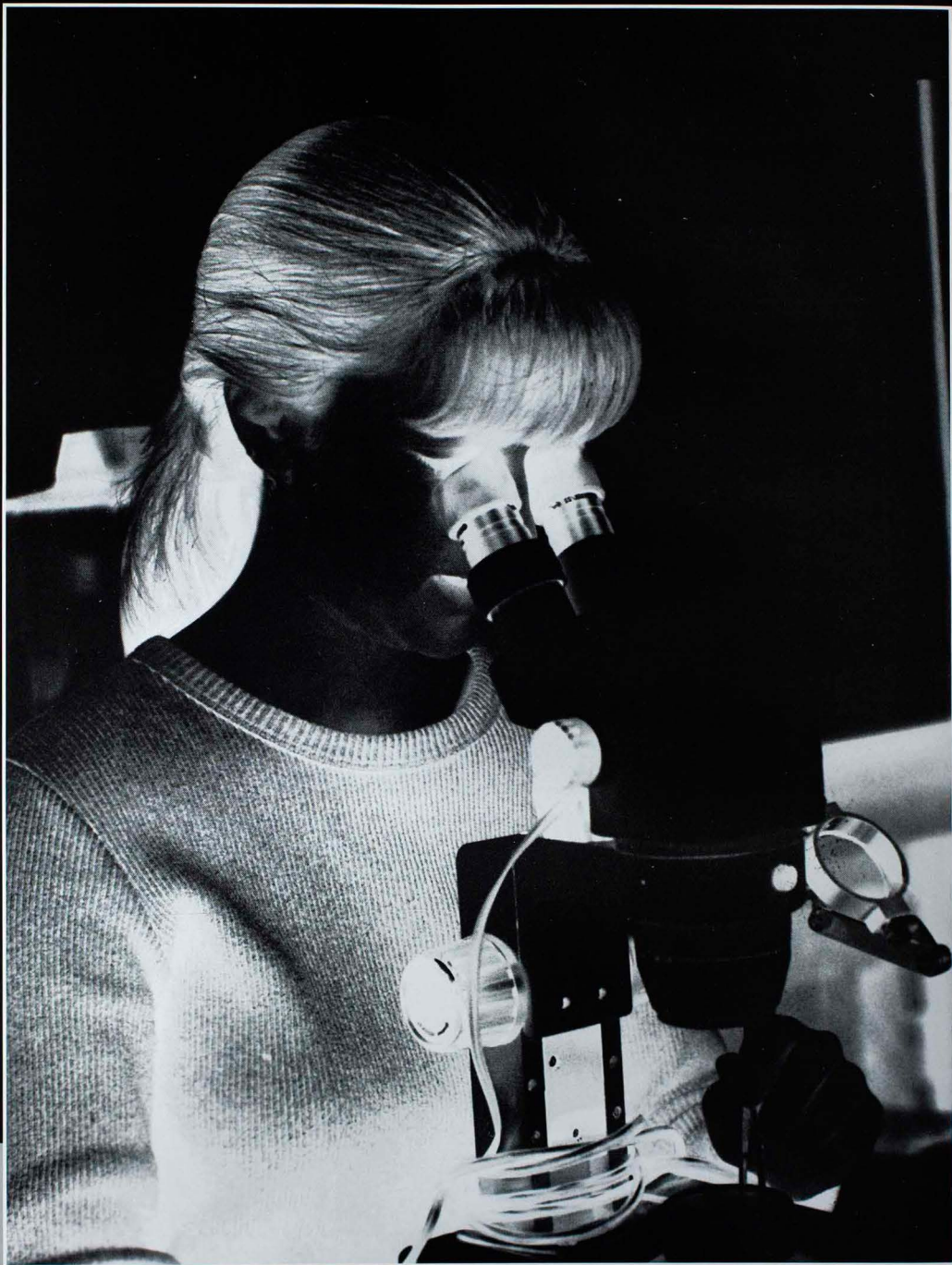


Marchingband members represent only one of several organizations who attended the Bulldog football games. Students crowded into Stokes Stadium throughout the football season to cheer the team to victory. The marching band kept the fans excited by leading cheers and chants. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Bulldogbasketball games draw large crowds as a result of the student appreciation award. While the team had somewhat of a difficult season, fans continued to support the Bulldogs. As the prize continued to grow, so did the number of fans. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

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(photo by
Cheri
Heiser)



CHOOSE...

Truman's academic program was much more than just attending classes. We had the choice to expand our minds educationally from the first day of classes, if we accepted the challenge. For the class of 2001, this started with an introduction to the University. This year Freshman Week took on a new meaning. Some Freshman Week classes were expanded into a semester-long course, where we depended on the same group of new friends to become familiar with this new territory of our lives. Not just the freshmen, though, had to adjust to the United Parcel Service strike at the beginning of the year. The strike delayed the delivery of many academic books, which in turn, delayed classes. Once classes were back on track, though, we had a variety of courses from which to choose. This included a biology/human nature course, military science versus Health and Wellness and a variety of dance classes. There was a course for everyone's personality. Choosing classes became a thing of the past for the seniors, though, as we focused on the future.

your course

Academics

UPS strike delays arrival of books to stores

by Nao Inoue

At the beginning of the fall semester when most Truman students were reading and studying, some students found themselves still waiting for textbooks.

This was a problem that the entire college bookstore industry faced, leaving Truman without exception.

The manager of the Truman Bookstore, Mike Minson, said it was because of shipping errors and delays stemming from the aftermath of the UPS strike.

"UPS would not guarantee delivery times until late September and books that had to be routed through other carriers were delayed," Minson said.

All reorders and late orders were shipped either by UPS, Federal Express Next Day or Second Day Air.

"This enormous expense was not passed on to the customer, but rather absorbed by the bookstore," Minson said. "The Truman bookstore makes every effort to obtain all the books in the right quantities and at the right time, but sometimes factors beyond our control make it difficult to fulfill this goal."

The owner of Patty's University Bookstore, Patty Bolz, said most students were very understanding about this delay.

"Students would ask when the books were getting here and most of the time they were really nice and cool about it," Bolz said.

Upperclassmen were not too worried about missing their textbooks compared to the freshmen.

"My physics book was not in time due to the UPS strike. It got in during the first week of the classes," sophomore Jim Bonucchi said. "It happens, it's a strike you know, so deal with it."

Both bookstores said they spent a lot of time calling students when the books had finally arrived.

Overall, Truman students finally realized the lack of control they had over the nationwide strike.

The bookshelves sit empty at the Truman Bookstore. The books for the fall semester arrived late due to the UPS strike. Students were able to pick up their books within a week or two after classes started.



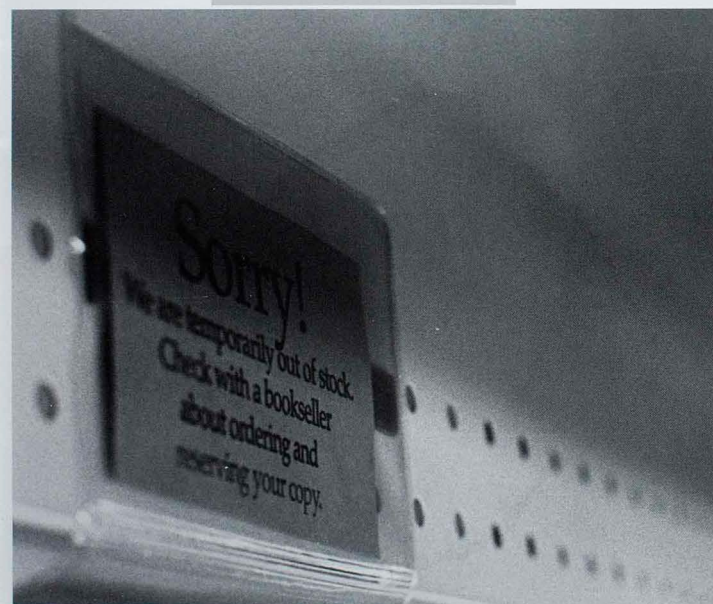


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*sophomore
Jim Bonucchi*

Due to the UPS strike few books sit on the shelves in the bookstore at the beginning of the school year. The UPS strike created a 50 cent pay increase to the previous \$8 base pay. The Teamsters wanted a two-or three-year deal, but agreed to a five-year contract.

This sign represents the constant problems Truman students felt during the UPS strike. The strike brought positive changes for UPS, but left frustration for college students. The 14-day strike made this sign the most popular on campus. (photos by Cheri Heiser)



STRIKE

■ The UPS strike began Aug. 4 and ended on Aug. 18.

■ UPS, which normally delivered 12 million parcels and documents a day around the country, was running at less than 10 percent capacity.

■ The strike resulted in a \$3.10 per hour raise over five years for full-time employees. The pay for part-time employees would rise \$4.10 per hour.

RESULTS

To skip or not to skip, that is the question

by Kelly Levins

The alarm buzzed at a steady pace as the clock hit 7 a.m.

The exhausted and weary Truman student pounded the snooze button, but before reaching a state of semi-consciousness, her 7:30 a.m. class was over.

On the contrary, some students woke up for every class even though their professor admitted attendance was not necessary.

"I have yet to just skip a class for a reason other than sickness," freshman Karen Owens said, "because I just feel that by skipping you are only going to fall behind."

Many students worried about falling behind and about the impression that missing a class would give their professors.

"I am just a wuss, I know, but I worry about what my professors think about me," sophomore Moira Cavanagh said. "I worry about the impression they will

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professors think about me."*

*sophomore
Moira Cavanagh*

get if I don't attend a class."

Some students started their college careers with the motivation to attend every class.

"I only missed maybe five classes total last year and I was carrying 17 credits each semester," Cavanagh said. "I am just always worried that the one day I would skip a class, I would miss something crucial."

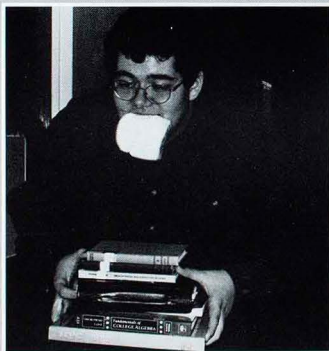
Even those who chose not to skip classes saw the possibility of giving in to the temptation of skipping in the near future.

"Maybe if I had a blow-off class in the future, where missing it once or twice wouldn't affect my grade, I might skip it," sophomore Sarah Brown said. "But I am really paranoid and I don't trust other people's notes."

The choice to skip a particular class, more often than not, involved outside influences.

"For me to skip a class I'd have to be sick, find that there is nothing better to do or wake up next to somebody and not feel like leaving," senior James Vertovec said.

Most of all, the possibility of skipping a class was often determined by students' final grade cards.



Freshman Dominic Armstrong rushes to finish his lunch, gather books and get to class. Balancing activities and school work was challenging for many students. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Junior Jed Carleton relaxes while playing Blitz in the Take Five games room. Many students relaxed or met with friends in the Down Under. However, sometimes the arcade was a distraction from classes. (photo by Josh Adams)





You paid for it,

▶ A three-hour class which met three times a week cost in-state students \$9.64 per class period and out-of-state students \$17.07.

▶ A three-hour class which met twice a week cost in-state students \$13.06 per class period and out-of state students \$23.13.

▶ Sixty percent of people surveyed said it was more common for them to skip a morning class, 26 percent an afternoon class, and 14 percent an evening class.*

*Results based on a survey of 100 students.

▶ *did you go?*

Freshman Matthew Gessling tries to stop the sunlight from hurting his eyes. Some students skipped classes to catch a few more hours of sleep. The cold winter weather was an added incentive for some to stay in bed. (photo by Diogo Vaz)

Small fee allows off-campus access

by Christine Hale

Off-campus students were a little more connected to Truman with the addition of Internet service hook-ups.

In early September, Computer Services began accepting requests for Internet hook-ups, User Services Consultant Chad Tatro said. The service was offered to off-campus and on-campus students. Off-campus students were able to access the World Wide Web from their homes.

Students using the new connection were charged \$35 per semester; however, the fee was waived for the fall semester in order to allow for a free trial semester. On-campus students were not charged for the connection because the fee was already included in housing costs.

"As of November, there were approximately 400 students signed up for the service," Tatro said. "About half of those were off-campus students."

The accounts were requested electronically through the Truman home page.

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sophomore Sarah Aton

Users were notified by e-mail of their acceptance and issued a password for access to Truman's service. Students had to provide their own web browser or download the software from the home page.

Even though the service was advertised through Truman media outlets, some students weren't aware of the options available to them.

"I wish I was made aware of this offer," sophomore Sarah Aton, an off-campus student, said. "It would save me a lot of trouble going back and forth to campus for research."

Since the service was so new, Computer Services couldn't provide individual support. However, new users were able to direct questions electronically to a newsgroup sponsored by Computer Services.

Internet service was very reliable because modem lines were nearly always open, noted Tatro.

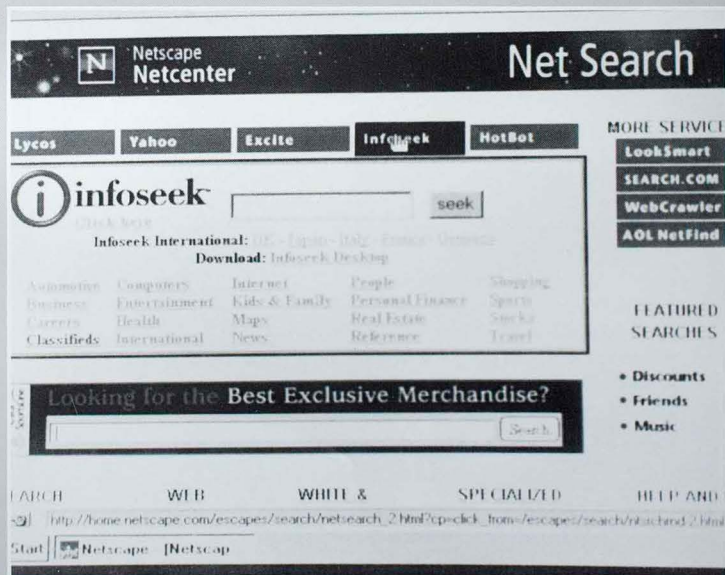
Tatro said he hoped to hook up all off-campus students with the service because it would be more convenient for students to use the system at home.

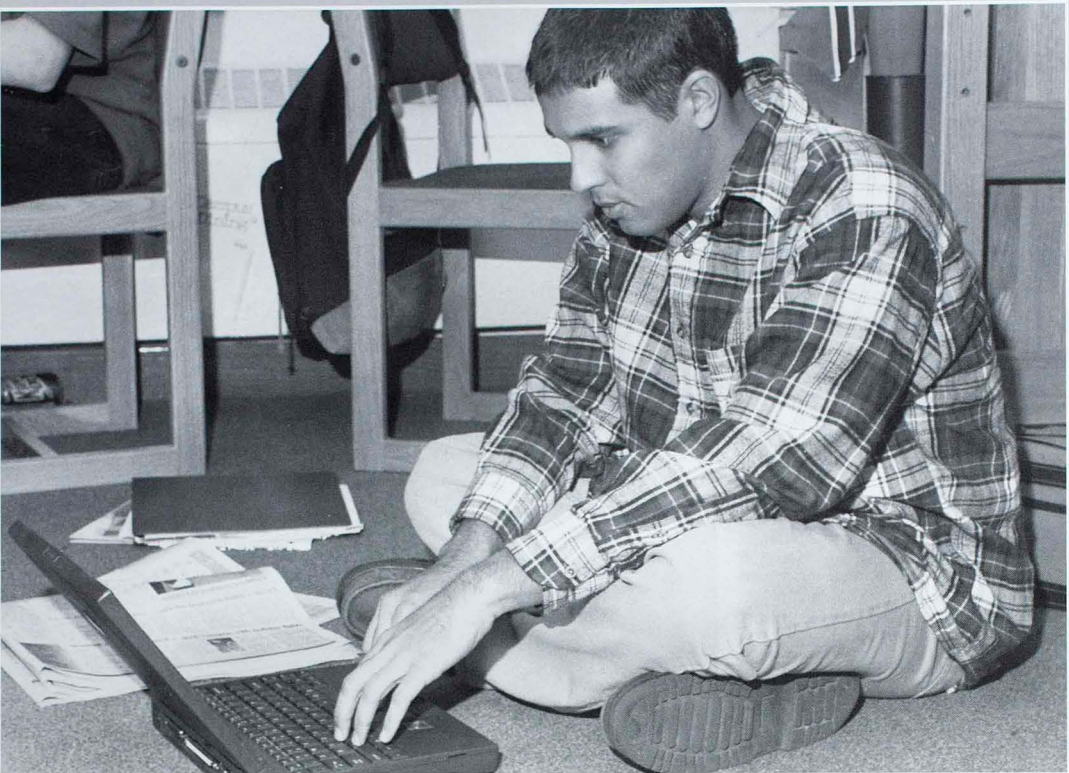
"I would rather be able to access the Internet at home than have to battle the crowds at the library," Aton said.



Long hours in front of book volumes were often replaced by searches through information on the Internet. Research databases and commercial websites aided students in their quest for information.

Search engines such as Infoseek aided students in their research. The resources offered by the Internet were more accessible through Truman's new service.





World Wide

- ▶ Missouri Hall residents could obtain direct access to the Internet through a network connection in their room.
- ▶ Each student who had an account was able to use the dial-up access account up to seven hours per week.
- ▶ The maximum amount of time for any one session could not exceed four hours. After four hours, the system disconnected automatically.
- ▶ The service fee of \$35 was included in the housing contracts of on-campus students.

.....▶ **access**

Junior Ruben Ambrose works on his laptop computer from the comfort of his room in Missouri Hall. The Internet became accessible to both on and off-campus students through Computer Services. A fee of \$35 was required for an off-campus connection. (photos by Josh Adams)

Freshman unity

expanded in course

by Megan Delaney

Freshman Week always provided unity for the first-year students, but in 1997 the unity went beyond the first week of school.

Extended Freshman Week classes grew significantly from the previous year.

According to Mary Giovannini, director of Freshman Week, the idea behind extended classes was to create a close, comfortable atmosphere for new students.

"We're trying to keep groups together who know each other well, are supportive of each other and have a bond with their teacher," Giovannini said.

Freshman Week classes helped students become acquainted with the University.

Extended classes were known to be more academically inclined than classes that ended with Freshman Week.

"We started a day earlier in regular class," freshman Jay Woods said. "We got a jump-start on homework."

Natalie Alexander, assistant professor of philosophy, noticed a big difference between her Freshman Week Introduction to Philosophy class and her other section.

"My freshman class hit the ground running on the first day of class; they knew each other," Alexander said. "They were already talking, interacting and actively engaged in the material."

In addition to starting ahead, many students felt a positive connection with their professor.

"If we have any questions about anything, we're always welcome to ask," freshman Becca Hammen said.

Students who were not involved in an extended class saw a difference between their classes and the extended classes.

"I think that extended freshman class is a good idea and all the classes should be made that way," freshman Beth Koop said. "It would be nice if I had a class now filled with people that I know really well."

Freshmen Diane Hewitt and Jen Crow help each other move into Dobson Hall. The week was an opportunity for freshmen to meet other students and become acquainted with the campus. Freshmen enrolled in an extended Freshman Week class benefitted from meeting their classmates and professors a week before classes started. (photo by Hemal Patel)





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Freshman Week

Director

Mary Giovannini

Freshmen settle in on the Quad to watch the Freshman Week version of Singled Out. Campus Activity Leaders organized many of the week’s events to help students meet each other. Freshman Week classes helped students gain familiarity with the campus. (photo submitted)



A freshman unpacks her belongings from her car to move into her new home. Freshmen used the first week to settle into their rooms and learn more about Truman through the Freshman Week program. Extended Freshman Week courses helped students transition into college academics. (photo by Hemal Patel)

EXTENDED

Seventeen classes formed during Freshmen Week and continued throughout the fall semester.

The decision to expand the program was made by the Undergraduate Council, and the Liberal Studies Program was voted on by the entire faculty.

The extended Freshman Week classes were both major specific and core courses.

COURSES

Professors learn with students in the classroom

by Kimberly Glantz

Many faculty and staff looked at Truman as not only a place of employment, but as an opportunity.

Several faculty and staff took the student's seat again during lectures. Some chose to take classes to finish their education, while others wanted to enhance their job skills.

For the most part, students and faculty both agreed that it wasn't an uncomfortable situation, but rather a chance to get to know each other on a student-to-student level.

"I think it would be great if I could actually talk to them [professors] one on one instead of just the professor-type setting," sophomore Amanda Garnier said. "All the professors are really intelligent and to get to know them not as an authority figure or teacher would be really inspiring and very educational by itself."

Paula Lovell, instructor of communication, took Horsemanship in the spring because it gave her a chance to refine her riding skills and be outdoors. She enjoyed the change of pace and said it was great therapy for her.

"I saw it as a chance to go beyond my normal, daily routine, which is filled with a great deal of paperwork," Lovell said.

Janet Davis, associate professor of communication, took a class in order to prepare for a class she taught the following semester.

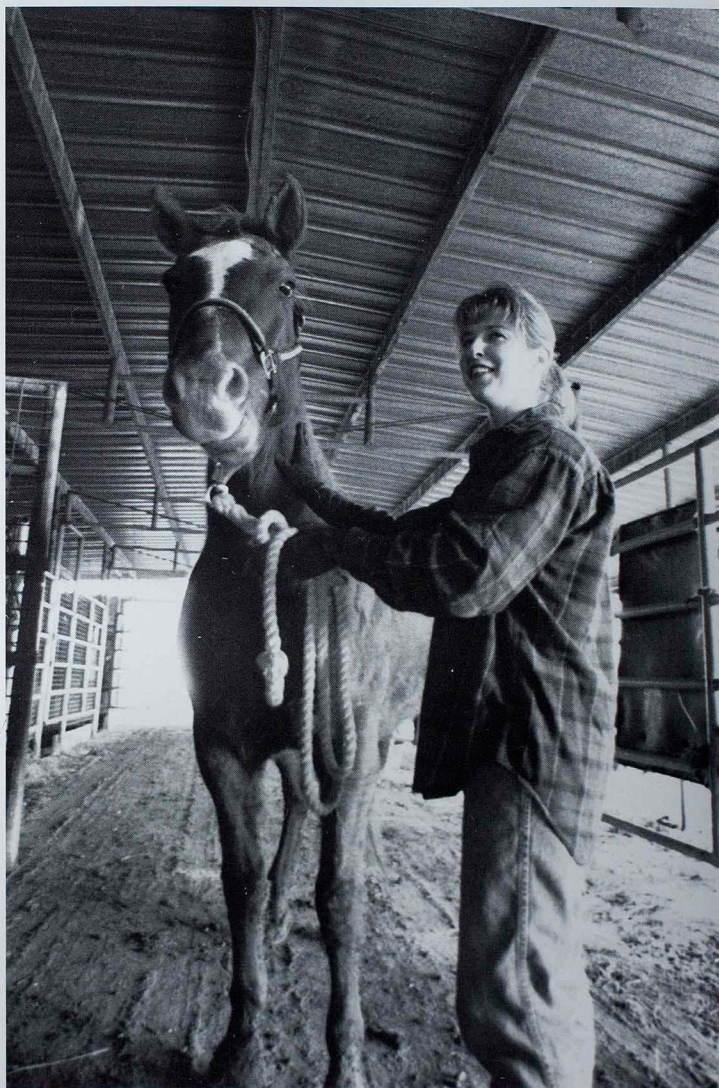
Davis took the course through the Funding for Results program which awarded a grant to cover the cost of the class.

"These grants were awarded because of [the University] going into the new Liberal Studies Program (LSP)," she said. "I'm very pleased to have received the grant and I look forward to returning to class."

Some students thought it would be hard for a faculty member to do well once they were the student again.

"I think it would be harder for a professor to take classes, but I would be excited about it," sophomore Susan Linder said.

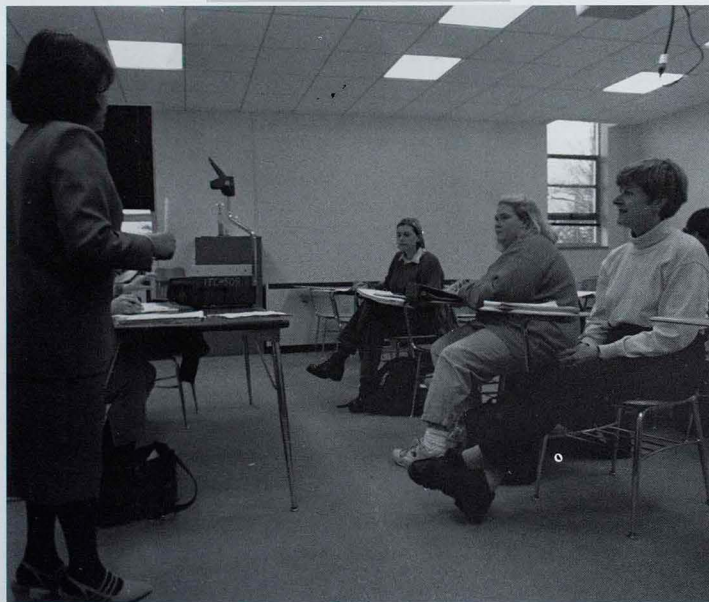
Paula Lovell, instructor of communication, leads her horse out of the stable during Horsemanship class. Lovell was one of a few faculty members who also took classes. Lovell chose to take Horsemanship because of her interest in the subject. (photo by Josh Adams)





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Paula Lovell, instructor of communication, prepares to groom her horse. Lovell and other professors balanced teaching and taking classes, allowing them to expand their horizons with subjects outside of their discipline. (photo by Josh Adams)



Ranjita Misra addresses her Disease and Man class. Along with typical students, Misra also taught Janet Davis, associate professor of communication. Faculty members could apply for grants to attend classes in order to gain knowledge and sharpen their skills. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

PROFESSOR

Faculty and staff had to be admitted to the University before enrolling in a class.

Faculty and staff went through the same process as students in enrollment. They had to obtain a permit to enroll and register.

Faculty and staff received a discount on their tuition.

Faculty and staff had a discount card in lieu of the \$60 downpayment fee.

OR STUDENT

Philosophy and biology combine in class

by Julia Pankiewicz

Both the philosophical and scientific worlds have attempted to answer complex questions involving human nature.

It was the first time a class was offered on topics such as whether mothers were genetically programmed to care for their young or whether religious beliefs played a role in gender interaction.

On Human Nature gave students a chance to explore questions about life that involved philosophy and biology.

On Human Nature was team-taught by David Murphy, associate professor of religion, and Michael Kelrick, associate professor of biology.

The course discussed the intersection of the biological and philosophical views on human nature.

Murphy enjoyed co-teaching the course, but found the only problem to be narrowing the focus of the class.

"So much has been written about humanity," Murphy said. "It's a real chal-

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to focus on only a few areas.*

*David Murphy,
associate professor of
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Special attention was given to the topic of altruism, or devotion to the needs of others. Students faced the question whether hu-

mans cared about each other because religion had taught them to or because man was genetically programmed to care.

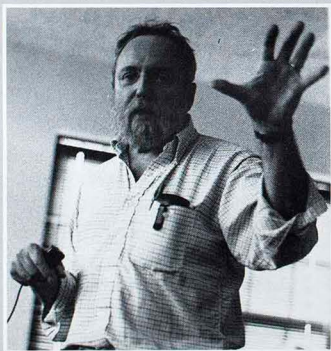
Laura Tamakoshi, associate professor of anthropology, sat in on the course and offered her views as an anthropologist.

"This is a very unique course," Tamakoshi said. "You have two professors looking at human nature from two different views, an anthropologist looking at it from another point of view and an extremely diverse student body looking at human nature from their own views."

Senior Jason Neubauer enjoyed the class and had learned new things about many topics including both philosophy and religion.

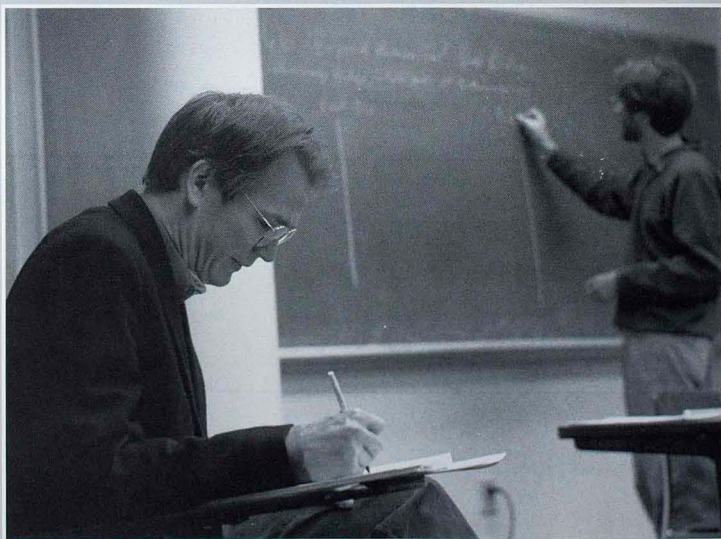
The course was a definite benefit to Truman students.

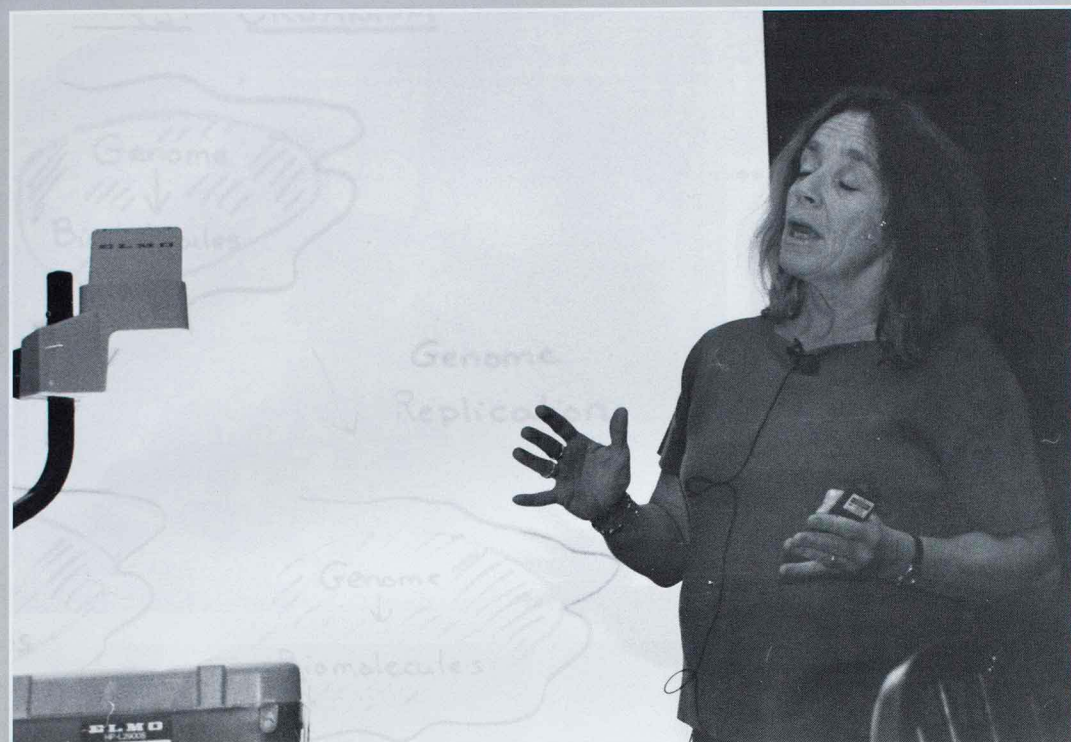
"There are so many different perspectives on being human that students are likely to find an intersection with their particular discipline," Murphy said.



Guest speaker Michael Ruse presents his views of Charles Darwin. Ruse claimed that Darwin was not an atheist but a deist who based his theories on his belief in God. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

David Murphy, associate professor of religion, takes notes during junior Caleb Hawley's presentation. Murphy taught the course in conjunction with Michael Kelrick, associate professor of biology. (photo by Cheri Heiser)





Ursula Goodenough, professor of biology at Washington University in St. Louis, delivers her lecture titled "Religious Naturalism: The religious response to the epic of evolution." Several guest speakers were brought in to address the On Human Nature class. Most lectures were open to the public. (photo by Josh Adams)

Advanced

- ▶ On Human Nature was an advanced topics biology class.
- ▶ The advanced topic course for the spring semester was microscopy.
- ▶ Other advanced topic classes have been community ecology, electron microscopy, eukaryotic molecular genetics, parasitology, plant ecology and virology.
- ▶ Advanced topics were a biology elective for all majors.
- ▶ A student was allowed no more than eight credit hours of advanced topics courses.

.....▶ *topics in biology*

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A child uses a video disc during his therapy. Using this type of technology, the patient could scan images into the video disc. Then through answering questions about the created picture, he could learn to use pronouns and question words appropriately.

Former graduate student Alison Epsy plays Chutes and Ladders in order to help her client say target sounds. Students worked with articulation clients to say specific sounds. Communication disorders students work with clients, but they were supervised by faculty members.



COMMUNITY

All ages were served by the Truman State University Speech and Hearing Clinic, coming from as far as 60 miles.

Services and therapy offered by the clinic were free of charge to both students and community members.

Undergraduates gained hands-on experience while being supervised by their professors.



CLINIC

Speech and hearing clinic offers help

by Jennifer Adams



Everyone had a day when the right words wouldn't come out, but not everyone could attribute it to simply a bad day.

There were people who had this problem on a daily basis, but the University offered a solution free of charge.

People of all ages and from a 60-mile radius came to the Speech and Hearing clinic. Truman students offered to help people with speech, language and hearing disorders.

Although it provided a service to the area, the students were the main benefactors.

"The clinic provides an opportunity for students to experience what they learn in class," said John Applegate, associate professor and director of communication disorders.

The clinic served people in the community and also enabled students in the major to fulfill necessary clinical hours and learn from a hands-on approach.

Students had the opportunity to take clinicals, which provided them with one to two clients each semester.

"Truman is one of a shrinking number of universities who are still able to offer undergraduate clinics," Applegate said.

This was important to the program because it gave undergraduates a taste of what was ahead.

"Having the clinic gave me a hands-on experience working with a variety of people," graduate student Jennifer Walz said. "I think it's great because it takes information from the classroom and applies it practically."

Faculty members were required to supervise students' therapy sessions and evaluation sessions.

"There's more of a colleague relationship instead of professor/student relationships," Walz said.

The clinic served its purpose as a learning tool for the communication disorders major while also helping to serve others within the University and the community.

Janet Gooch, assistant professor of communication disorders, works with a nasometer, which measures the amount of air coming out of the nose. Using the nasometer could help determine if a client was saying certain sounds correctly. (photos submitted)

Who's Who award honors contributions

by Jennifer Odefey

Fifty seniors received national recognition for what they did and who they were.

Academic achievement, leadership and character earned students the title of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Senior Jim Bopp accomplished a lot as a physics major. He built his own spectrometer to study radiation by observing gamma radiation. Bopp traveled to several universities and laboratories to speak about his research, and his spectrometer was implemented into a physics class.

But his research alone did not make him a Who's Who candidate. Bopp was involved in other activities at Truman and in the Kirksville community.

Bopp participated in a school-outreach program with the Society of Physics Students, teaching grade school students about science. He was also in Sigma Pi Sigma honor society and sang in the Newman Center choir. He shared his faith with seventh graders as he taught religion at Mary Immaculate School.

Senior Sarah Lucas also accomplished a variety of things outside of the classroom.

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She was the assistant editor of *Windfall* literary magazine and a member of Sigma Tau Delta and Phi Sigma Pi honor societies. Lucas also participated in University Swingers.

Lucas was the Ryle South staff assistant, and she ran the Ryle South Office and planned events such as the Ryle Christmas Market and the Ryle South Banquet.

David Hoffman, assistant dean of stu-

dents, said the Who's Who selection committee looked for students who demonstrated leadership in more than one area.

"We looked at the impact of students on the Kirksville and Truman communities in addition to being good students," Hoffman said.

Three hundred students were nominated by faculty and organizations, and 130 students completed the application, including essays and two letters of recommendation.

A committee of seven administration and faculty members selected 50 students to receive the Who's Who title. Hoffman said the committee went beyond national standards and required a 3.0 GPA and allowed only seniors to apply.

Lucas said she wanted to be in Who's Who because her mother was when she went to Truman. She said it was an honor to be named to such an elite group.

"I felt highly selected by my university to be one of the select," Lucas said.

Bopp was humble about recognition, but he felt appreciated by the award.

"It makes you realize that what you have done has been significant to at least one person," Bopp said.



Senior Sarah Lucas directs Ryle residents to their seats during the Ryle South Banquet. This was one of the many projects she was in charge of as Ryle South staff assistant. (photo by Tina Patel)

Senior Sara Loveless shakes hands with President Jack Magruder as she is honored as being one of the Who's Who students at Truman. Seniors who were honored with this award were involved in a variety of activities. (photo by Tina Patel)





Who's Who

- ▶ Daniel Baack
- James Bang
- Kevin Bauer
- James Bopp
- Jennifer Bosshardt
- Sara Braaf
- Christine Carlson
- Cara Cochran
- Patricia Corley
- Jacob Cowan
- Damara Crist
- Kelly Dolles
- Megan Edwards
- Jerritt Farrar
- Courtney Folino
- Linda Gannon
- Andrew Gensler
- ▶ Candra Gill
- Matthew Goyer
- Leslie Graff
- Rachel Guerra
- Brandon Hamm
- Holly Harrell
- Jennifer Hillman
- Cheryl Hindrichs
- Caroline Horn
- Gregory Kristoff
- Thomas Lancaster
- Sara Loveless
- Sarah Lucas
- Teresa McAlpine
- Mary McBride
- Kirk McCarty
- Bridget Munsterman
- ▶ Jennifer Odefey
- Kimberly Oelschlaeger
- Chrystal Paulos
- Rebecca Pestine
- Adam Potthast
- Sara Reisdorf
- Andrea Roberts
- Lisa Roberts
- Susan Senger
- Michelle Shafer
- Andrea Trotter
- Karen Van Cleave
- Michael Watson Jr.
- Shawn Weber
- Mark Wissel
- Angela York

▶ *at Truman?*

Senior Jim Bopp speaks to seventh grade students at Mary Immaculate school during the Wednesday night religion class he teaches. In addition to teaching, Bopp conducted physics research, and he traveled to a variety of universities and laboratories to talk about his work. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Students learn from undergraduate research

by Stacey Bumpus

Some Truman students found a productive and educational way to spend their time while still gaining additional knowledge in a particular concentration.

Undergraduate research was something the students at Truman had done for years.

Some undergraduate research was for a particular class, but most of the research done was contributed to a research program which often included a stipend award.

Senior Heather Morgan said that researching helped her personally as well as academically. She had researched for over a year in her science concentration.

"It's better than class," Morgan said. "There's a lot more variation."

Topics that students chose to research varied from person to person. Subjects ranged from the UFO phenomenon to the comparison of exercise equipment.

After students compiled their research, many presented the information to an audience in an organized fashion. One way many students presented their information was through the Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Over 100 mentors and 270 students were involved in the symposium.

David Lesczynski, professor of agriculture, organized and oversaw the symposium every year and felt it was a positive opportunity for the students.

"It's a way for all students to come together and present information," Lesczynski said. "The symposium brings all of the divisions together."

Morgan said that she enjoyed showcasing her hard work.

"It's a way to really think about what you did," Morgan said.

The symposium was a good way for students to prepare for future careers.

"It opens a lot of opportunities," Lesczynski said. "It can help create a tremendous portfolio for when you're looking for a job or going to grad school."

A visitor to the Student Union Building looks at a poster presentation by senior Chris Hanff during the Undergraduate Research Symposium. Presentations were given every 15 minutes in several rooms of the SUB.





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Two visitors to the Undergraduate Research Symposium talk with senior Heather Morgan about her research. Morgan was one of over 270 students who presented their research through either a presentation or poster. Topics discussed ranged from cell growth to political themes in drama.

Seniors Mike Mueller and Matt Jones present their research about conflict among college roommates at Psi Chi's third annual psychology research conference. The pair was part of a four-person research team with seniors Lisa Roberts and Shawn Bergman. (photos by Tina Patel)



UNDERGRAD

The quote "Education is not the filling of the pail, but the lighting of a fire," by William Butler Yeats served as the theme for the Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Specific areas covered by the symposium included: Alexander the Great Symposium, Millennium Panel and the Mythology Symposium.

Psi Chi hosted the Psychology Research Conference for the third year in a row.

RESEARCH

Military science fatigues vs. Health and Wellness sweats

by Tina Anshus

In order to graduate, each Truman student had to attempt a healthy lifestyle by choosing between Health and Wellness or Introduction to Military Science.

Both classes provided an emphasis on developing a personal fitness program. Each class included classroom and physical activities but required different time commitments from students.

Health and Wellness, a two-credit course, met every day for 50 minutes during one semester. The class included lectures and physical fitness activities.

Military science, on the other hand, was a one-credit course, which met three days a week for two semesters. The class included one 50-minute class, a two-hour leadership lab and one hour of physical training a week.

Besides the amount of time required, the subject areas that were covered varied greatly. Health and Wellness included information on stress management, STD's, relationships, substance abuse,

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survival, map reading and how to implement a total fitness program.

“It's more attractive to students to take one class [Health and Wellness] to fulfill a requirement versus two [military science],” freshman Health and Wellness student Alissa Purcell said.

Military science provided a smaller class size.

“Military science gives students a good insight to an institution, which whether they realize it or not, greatly impacts their lives,” junior military science student Christina Truesdale said.

Military science offered leadership training through various programs.

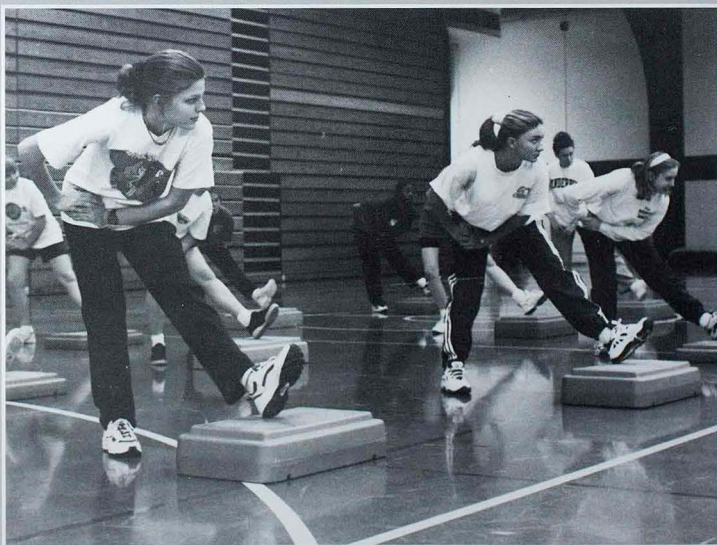
“I liked what I saw so much that I applied for and received an ROTC scholarship, and it's the best career move I ever made,” Truesdale said.

Both classes covered many different subject areas and offered different types of activities. Choosing between the two classes merely depended on the student's interests.



A military science student rappels down the side of Science Hall during a Freshman Week demonstration. By taking part in military science, students were able to rappel, play paintball, learn combative moves and first aid. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Health and Wellness students stretch before a step aerobics class. Students were able to choose activities to fulfill the exercise portion of the course. Individuals also were given the opportunity to test out of the exercise portion of the class. (photo by Cheri Heiser)





Health and Wellness vs.

▶ Approximately 650 students took Health and Wellness each semester.

▶ Health and Wellness met two days a week for lecture and three days a week for exercise.

▶ Between 22 and 25 percent of students tested out of the exercise portion of the class.

▶ Approximately 150 students took Introduction to Military Science each semester.

▶ Two semesters of military science fulfilled the same core requirement as one semester of Health and Wellness.

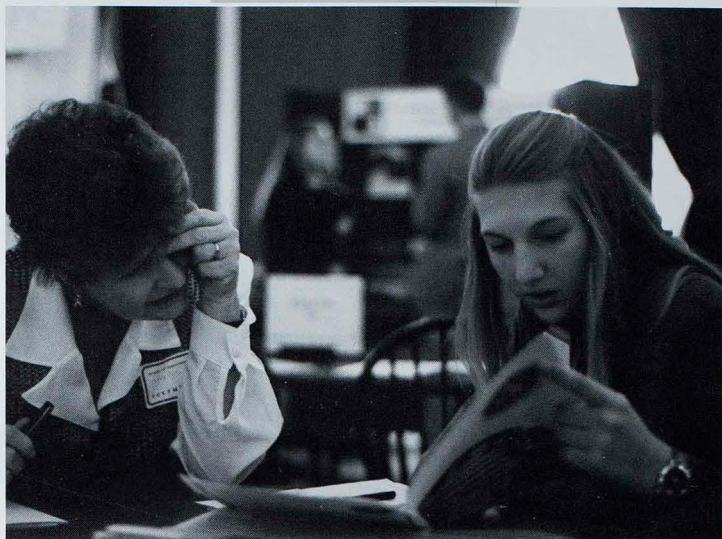
▶ Military science met once a week for lecture and once every other week for exercise.

.....▶ ***military science***

Freshman Melissa Marshall practices her throwing techniques on her perspective attacker, freshman Jessica Dobbins, during a military science combatives lab. After students learned the various types of defensive maneuvers, they practiced a step-by-step process of the different throws and techniques of how to escape a possible attack. Students also learned the proper way to fall from a throw or push in order to insure their safety. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)

*Career Expo is a start --
a way to form connec-
tions. It's a way to learn
about the business world
and about how it works.*

*senior
Mike Mueller*



Senior Jamie Stafford looks through information at the Career Expo. Employers, eager to hire Truman graduates, set up informational booths at the Expo. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Sophomore Lawrence Chui learns about IBM employment opportunities at the Career Expo. Over 200 employers attended the function. They looked to recruit students for internships, summer jobs and full-time employment. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

CAREER

The University Career Center hosted one Career Expo per semester.

The Career Expos in 1997-98 were the biggest ever with over 200 employers.

The first Career Expo at Truman was held in 1979.

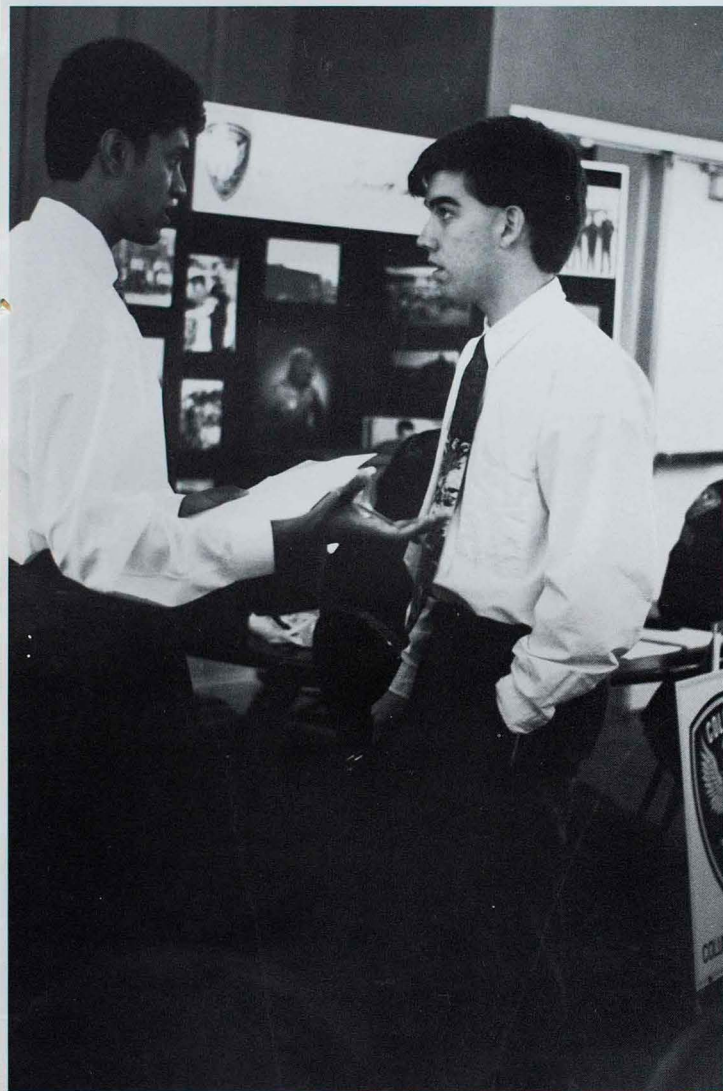
A variety of services were offered at the UCC, such as videotaped mock interviews and resume critiques.



CENTER

University Career Center aids in future planning

by Jill Snitker



Not only could graduating seniors benefit from the University Career Center, but undergraduates and Truman faculty were also welcome to use the many resources available to help search jobs, internships or graduate schools.

The UCC had a complete career resource library which included bulletins, business directories, Internet searches and computer programs.

"They've got a binder to keep a sample of resumes," senior Amy Jones said. "It's neat because you get to see what other people use for their resume designs."

Career Coordinator Susan Job said the UCC helped many students with their searches for jobs and careers.

"The student traffic seemed to increase in the last year to year and a half," Job said. "A lot of people come in on their own when they see the *Index* ads or bulletin boards."

The center provided tours for organizations and mock interviews for any individual seeking practice in professional job interviews.

One of the biggest events the UCC sponsored since 1979 was the Career Expo, which was held once a semester. Over 200 employers attended the expo to recruit students and alumni for internships, summer jobs and full-time employment.

"The responses of the companies at the expo are always enthusiastic," Job said. "They report that our students are well-prepared and professional."

The Career Expo provided many outlets for students of various majors. Many benefited from the Career Expo.

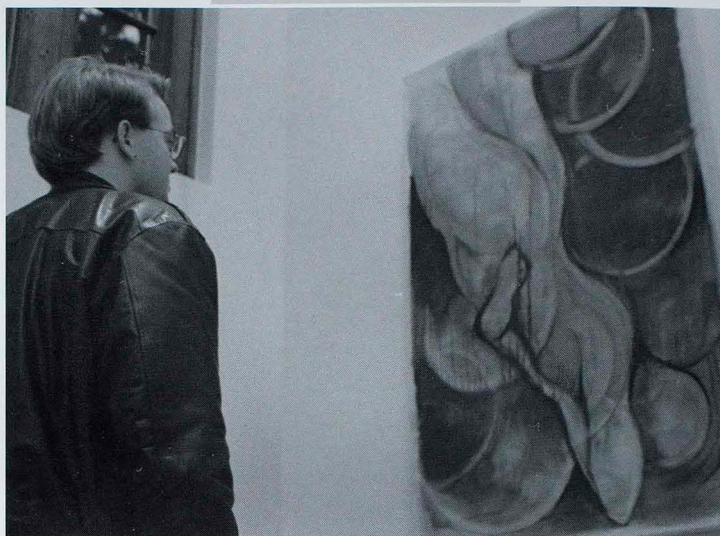
"Career Expo is a start—a way to form connections," senior Mike Muellers said. "It's a way to learn about the business world and about how it works."

The center was open daily to assist students with any questions pertaining to careers or other job-related opportunities.

Senior John Alexander speaks to a potential employer at the University Career Expo. The Career Expo, held once a semester, attracted over 200 employers. The Expo was a starting point for many students who would be entering the job market. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

We've taken it upon ourselves to offer cultural experiences that are not available in our community.
Gallery Director
John Bohac

While visiting the art gallery, a student looks at a piece submitted by senior art major Elizabeth Keppel. The piece, titled "Merge," was an abstract created with oil colors on canvas.



A gallery visitor eyes "Untitled" while visiting the Student Juried Art Exhibition. The piece, by senior studio art major Jennifer Sisson, was an abstract created with the use of charcoal and conte.



UNIVERSITY

The University Art Gallery typically hosted eight or nine exhibits a year.

During an average week, 250 people visited the gallery. However, during the National Art Competition Exhibition, 2,000 people visited the gallery each week.

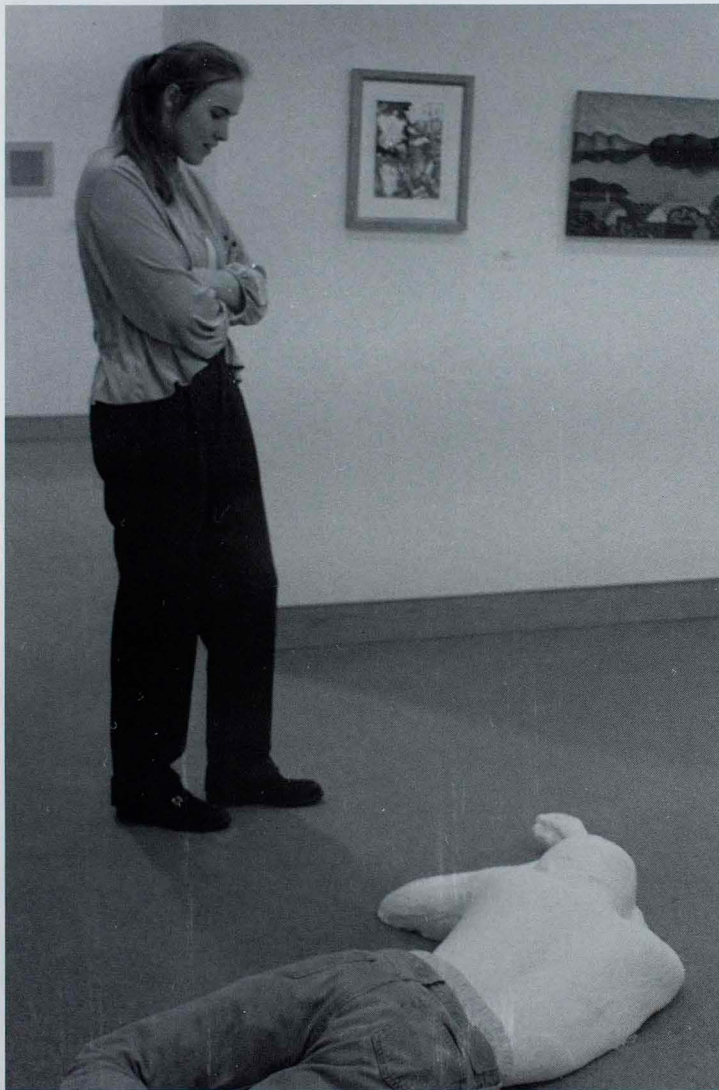
The most valuable piece of work housed in the gallery cost \$12,000.

Every graduating art major was required to put together an exhibition of their work.

GALLERY

Gallery serves up a dose of culture

by Jennifer Odefey



Nested away in Ophelia Parrish hid some of the most artistic works in Kirksville.

The University Art Gallery offered different exhibitions throughout the year to allow students and faculty to view works of art from different genres and time periods.

Gallery Director John Bohac said his goal was to display quality artwork for all students to view. Because Kirksville did not offer a great deal of culture and art, the gallery was one of the only ways to see such works.

"We've taken it upon ourselves to offer the cultural experiences that are not found in the community," Bohac said.

Each spring, the gallery housed the Juried Student Exhibition. The exhibition was open to all students enrolled in art classes.

Sophomore visual communication major Nicole Timmins enjoyed the opportunity to show her work.

"It's a great feeling to have people say they saw your work," Timmins said.

In addition to displaying their works, students were eligible to receive recognition for their efforts.

A judge selected 14 works as exceptional and the student artists received Juror's Recognition Awards.

The gallery also offered a competition for students who wanted to sell their works. Judges from the Student Union Building chose five works for the University's permanent collection. Students who received the Student Union Award were paid \$100 and the work was displayed in the SUB.

Timmins' drawing, titled "African Girl," was selected as one of the five works.

In addition to displaying their works, art students enjoyed the opportunity to see the works of other students and professionals.

"It's good to see all the student works I don't normally get to see," junior art major Nathan Ferree said.

The art gallery provided a learning experience for all students and faculty.

Senior Elizabeth Keppel examines a piece titled "Impetus" by junior studio art major Grant Kelley. Kelley created the three-dimensional piece by making an actual cast of a person. (photos by Laura Meyer)

Classes have students dancing to the beat

by Julia Pankiewicz

With the sudden popularity of Riverdance and the comeback of disco music, dance classes were some of the most popular offered at Truman.

The Division of Human Potential and Health offered several one-hour dance classes throughout the school year. Ballroom, aerobic, tap, jazz, country and western, ballet, folk and social dance were all offered.

"People enjoy coming in and moving to the music," Melody Jennings, instructor of health and exercise science said. "It helps take their minds off the pressures of everyday life. It is a great diversion from more rigorous classes."

Jennings said the only problems that had to be overcome were the inability to fit interested students into open classes and the lack of men participating in classes. Most classes were limited to 20 students so that everyone had enough room to practice.

"I tried for several semesters to register for the class," senior Catherine Pezold said. "Now I'm a senior, so I finally registered first, but it was still closed."

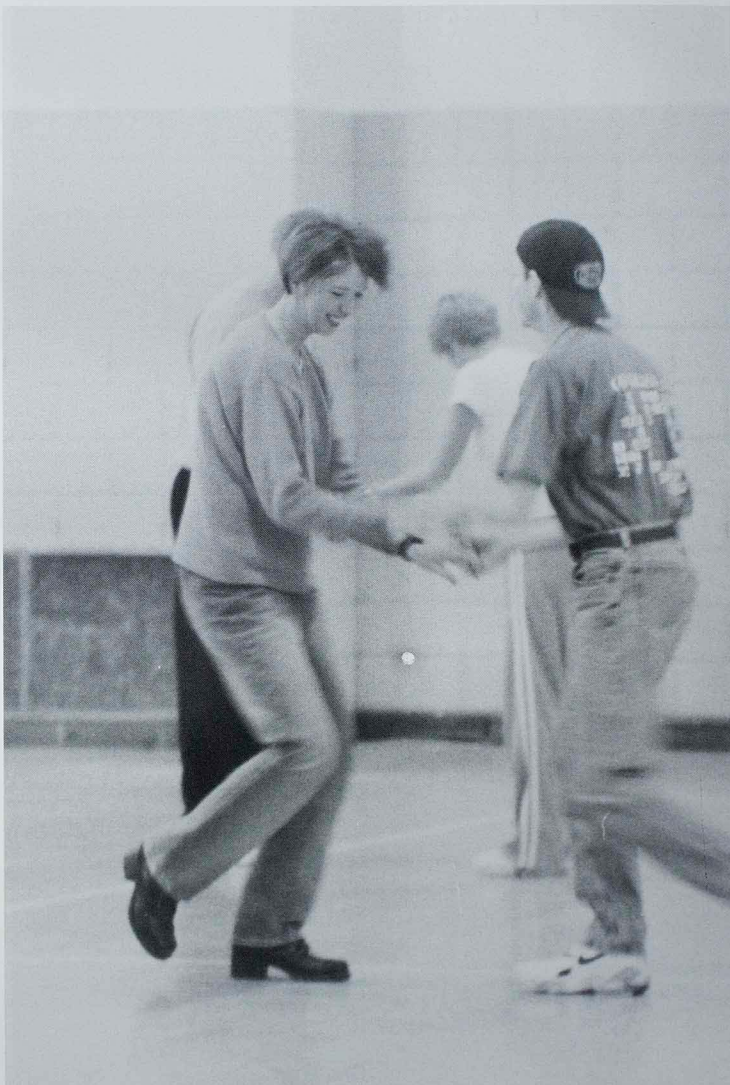
As a result, the division hoped to add "Dance as an Art Form" for a humanity credit in an effort to allow more people to take the classes. Also, an effort was made to enroll an equal number of men and women in couple-dancing classes.

"I was put on the waiting list and finally got into the class because I had a male partner to sign up with me," Pezold said. "But after the class began, one of the male students dropped, and I still had to sometimes dance with the teacher."

Junior Amanda Guelker was just one of the many students who took the class to get away from the regular lectures found in her academic classes.

"I like the classes because they are stress relievers," Guelker said.

Senior Catherine Pezold practices her dance moves with senior Dave Gragg. Males and females registered for separate sections of Ballroom Dancing. Even though the class met as one, separate registration was an attempt to insure equal numbers of males and females. Much of Ballroom Dancing required partners, and often, the lack of male interest in the class caused strange partnerships. (photo by Josh Adams)

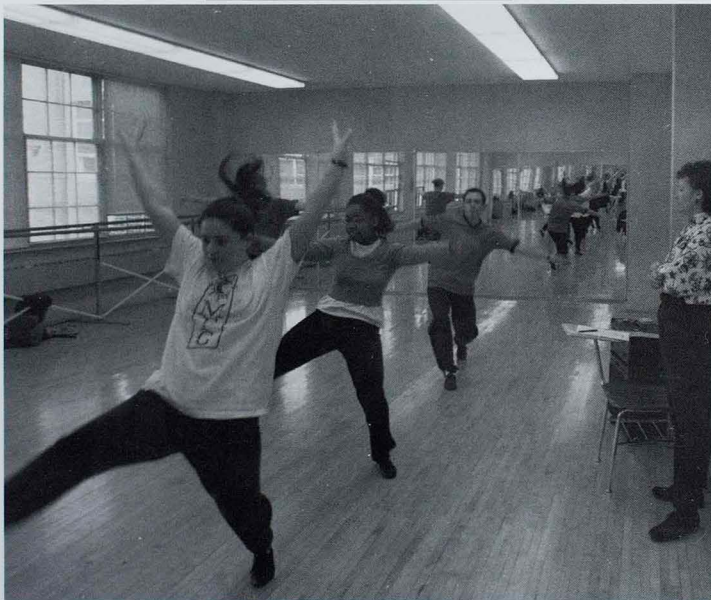




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*Melody Jennings,
instructor of health and
exercise science*

Sophomore Holly Kerns practices a routine she learned in her Advanced Jazz Dance class as Melody Jennings, instructor of health and exercise science, observes. Many students took dance classes as a source of stress relief and as a break from other academic courses.



Dance instructor Melody Jennings watches her Advanced Jazz Dance class run through one of its routines. Advanced Jazz Dance was offered along with other types of dance classes, such as ballroom, western and tap. (photos by Josh Adams)

DANCING

Several dance classes were offered by the Division of Human Potential and Performance including ballroom, tap and social and country-western.

Regina Lindhorst, assistant professor of health and exercise science, and Melody Jennings, instructor of health and exercise science, were Truman's only dance instructors.

Most dance classes were worth one-credit hour.

FOR CREDIT

Residential colleges expand learning opportunities

by Jennifer Odefey

The learning environment did not end when residents left the classroom and entered Missouri and Ryle Halls.

Missouri and Ryle were more than dormitories; they housed residential colleges. Each hall was divided into North and South Colleges.

Truman State University established the residential college program in 1988. Its purpose was to integrate the residence hall living and academic learning environments of participating students.

Chris Gregory, assistant college professor, lived in Ryle Hall with his wife and daughter since 1991. He served as an adviser for freshmen living in Ryle North. He felt the residential college program blurred the lines between living and learning.

Gregory said he had multiple roles on campus as a teacher, adviser, counselor and role model.

Freshman Sara Schmitt lived in Ryle. She thought the residential college programs offered a more personal side of

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There are a lot of possibilities for any individual college to be more vibrant in the future.

*Mary Ramsbottom
Residential College Task
Force chair*

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academics.

“I’ve gotten to know Dr. Gregory better because he is my adviser and lives there,” Schmitt said.

Gregory said his residential college experience was positive for him because he got to see a different side of students.

“It keeps me young,” Gregory said. “I have great faith in students.”

Mark Dalhouse, assistant college professor, said his experience in Missouri North College allowed him to have informal contact with students. He sponsored a monthly discussion group with students and faculty to establish a connection between what went on in the residence hall and the classroom.

“It is important that we realize that learning goes on both in and out of the classroom,” Dalhouse said.

A University committee of faculty, staff and students worked with the future of residential colleges on Truman’s campus.

Mary Ramsbottom, Residential College Task Force chair, said the University planned to institute the residential college program into all the residence halls on campus.

“There are a lot of possibilities for any individual college to be more vibrant in the future,” Ramsbottom said.



Richard F. Klein presents in Ryle Main Lounge while portraying Abraham Lincoln. Klein’s appearance was co-sponsored by Ryle and Missouri Residential Colleges and was part of the Monday Nights in Ryle series. (photo by Laura Myers)

Johanna Shafer, assistant college professor, and freshmen Kristen Mertens, Erika Hernandez, Theresa Stringham and Elizabeth McGuire watch “South Park” together. Students were able to develop relationships with professors outside of the classroom in Ryle, where two professors lived down the hall. (photo by Tina Patel)





Living with the girls,

Student Senate passed a resolution that Ryle Residential College should become co-ed.

Ryle Hall could house about 600 to 650 students. In 1997-98, Ryle was home to 501 students.

Under the resolution, Blanton and Nason Halls would become all-female.

Blanton and Nason Halls had a capacity of 258 residents.

Based on the preference cards of freshmen assigned to Ryle Hall, only 192 students actually wanted a single-sex dorm. Thirty-nine percent had no preference and 22 percent preferred co-ed dorms.

.....▲ *or living co-ed?*

The Gregory family enjoys dinner in the Ryle Hall cafeteria. The Gregorys had a kitchen in their fourth-floor Ryle apartment, but they often ate in the cafeteria together. The Gregorys had lived in Ryle for seven years. Many Ryle residents said that seeing a family in their dorm was a welcome reminder of home. (photo by Tina Patel)

*On one hand, I'm ready
to graduate and move on
with my life, and on the
other hand, I'm leaving a
lot behind.*

-senior Katie Niemeyer

Senior Jim Gioia picks out graduation announcements to send to his friends and family. Seniors had many last minute decisions to make as graduation drew near. Announcements were not necessary, but were seen by many to signify that the end was near.

Senior Elizabeth Kelly turns in a copy of her resume to the University Career Center. The center allowed potential employers to look at the resumes and contact graduates with employment opportunities. Seniors had to submit a resume before graduating.

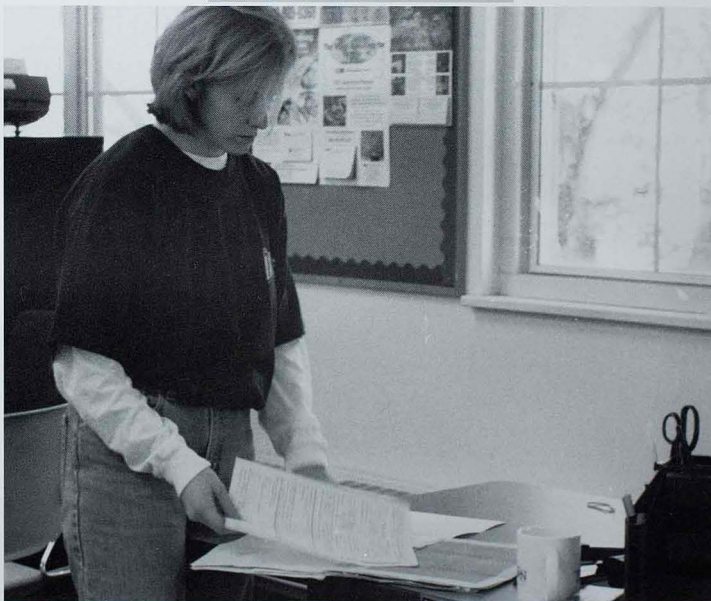
GRADUATION

A cap and gown set cost \$26.45 and could be purchased from the Truman Bookstore.

A package of five graduation announcements and their corresponding envelopes cost \$4.25.

Graduating seniors had to pay a \$15 graduation fee to the Business Office. It cost \$5 for any additional degrees to be printed.

EXPENSES



Paperwork adds hassle to graduation

by Laura Zyk



So much to do, so little time.

As graduation day approached, excitement and anxiety hit many students.

If worrying about life after Truman wasn't enough, some students felt an extra burden to meet the administration requirements for graduation.

After 90 credit hours, students could fill out the graduation application form which had to be approved by the registrar. As the end of the year came in sight, clearance sheets, graduation fees and invitations also required attention.

Senior Amy Lessmann did not find all of the tasks a problem.

"I didn't think it was hard at all," Lessmann said. "I just approached everything one thing at a time."

After being approved by the registrar and completing the required assessment tests, it was off to the Truman Bookstore. Seniors could get measured for a cap and gown and order invitations right after midterm.

Students also received a graduation packet in the mail. This contained clearance sheets to be signed by the University Career Center, Alumni Office, Assessment and Testing Office and the Business Office. The signatures verified that seniors had completed tasks for each office prior to graduating.

The UCC required a resume and a release form to send students' resumes to interested employers. The Business Office, though, required a \$15 graduation fee, and an extra \$5 fee for each additional degree printed.

Some students didn't understand the purpose for a graduation fee.

"I don't understand why there is an additional fee not included in what we already pay," senior Katie Niemeyer said.

At graduation, after all the forms were filled out, students received their diplomas with pride, but with mixed feelings.

"On one hand I'm ready to graduate and move on with my life," Niemeyer said. "And on the other hand, I'm leaving a lot behind."

Senior Matt Alexander tries on a graduation robe at the Truman Bookstore. In preparation for graduation, seniors had to take care of details such as completing forms and getting signatures. (photos by Tina Patel)

Students relax near the fountain in front of the Student Union Building. The fountain was a common place for students to meet on sunny days. On special occasions, such as graduation and Homecoming, the fountain water was colored purple. (photo by Josh Adams)



CHOOSE...

The University wouldn't be what it was this year without each one of our individual personalities to help define it. We, the students and faculty, helped make Truman's high standards and statistics nationally known. In turn, the University provided us with many choices to develop our identities. Some things that we chose to do during our free time at the University included announcing at the campus radio station, refereeing athletic games, helping out at the University Farm or showing school spirit in several ways. Of course, our personal backgrounds and beliefs allowed the University to be diverse in nature. Each one of us expressed our own identities, whether it was through body piercings, tattoos or playing in a local band. As a body, we came from Missouri, surrounding and far-away states and even from Kirksville. What we did over the summer, our family backgrounds and the activities we participated in at Truman let each one of us shine individually. College was about developing our unique identities and choosing how to showcase them.

your identity

People

Remaining Close

Some students did not travel far from home to pursue their college careers.

Most Truman students wanted to get away from home to go to college, but about 4 percent of Truman students were from the Kirksville area.

These students had a variety of reasons for choosing a college so close to home. Most reasons were similar to those every student had for attending Truman.

Many students said money was a big factor in their decision. They received scholarships and in-state tuition.

Freshman Jessica Baker said it was more economically feasible to go to Truman than another school, and she thought she could study better at home. She also wanted to be near her family.

"I am very close to my fam-

ily," Baker said. "They really support me."

Freshman Brad Neely said the fact that Truman was in Kirksville had little to do with his decision. He liked what the University had to offer.

home about once a week.

"It made the transition easier," Neely said.

Neely said his parents called more because it was not long distance. He liked that he could go home to do his laundry for free.

Freshman Dominic Armstrong also lived on campus, but he liked being able to see his family whenever he wanted.

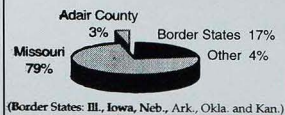
"Having my parents so close by provides a safely blanket for me," Armstrong said.

Students from Kirksville got used to answering questions about what there was to do in town. They said other students seemed to find it interesting.

"It makes you the most popular person in your Freshman Week class," Neely said.

☆ Jennifer Odefey ☆

Where We Started



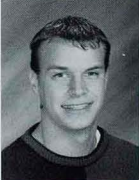
After they decided to go to Truman, local students had other decisions to make. A big choice was whether to live at home or on campus.

Neely decided to live in a residence hall, but he still visited

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Emily Albright
Kevin Alexander
Shelly Alexander

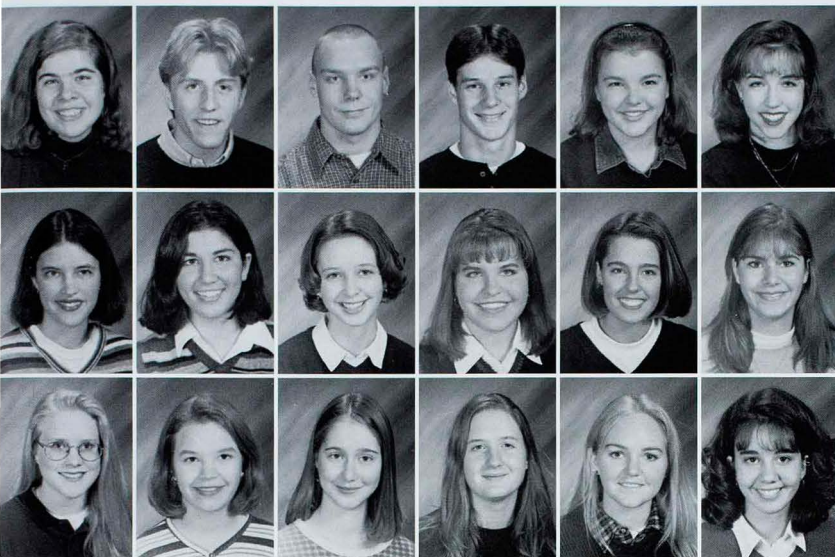


Lori Anderson
Melinda Anderson
Roger Andrews
Kelly Angstrom
Tina Anshus
Jessica Baker



Larissa Ball
Anne Balluff
Jodi Banocy
William Barfield
Sarah Barnes
Rebecca Battern





Margaret Bauer
Brian Beall
Jason Becker
Brian Beckmeyer
Kathryn Bednarczyk
Julie Bender

Elizabeth Benner
Lisa Berna
Suzanne Berry
Heather Bertels
Sara Bessinger
Kristen Billington

Tina Bishop
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Allison Bowden
Deena Boyd
Amy Boyher



*"It makes you
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popular person
in your
Freshman
Week class."*

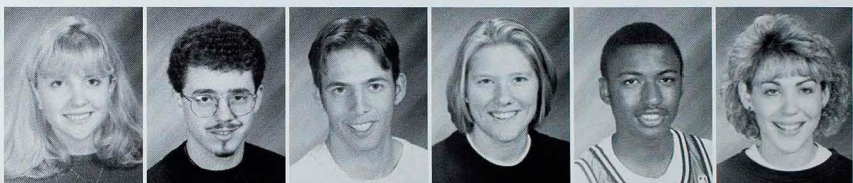
Brad Neely
☆ Freshman ☆

Freshman Heather Leazer and her brother, senior Justin Leazer, relax at their home in Kirksville. Moving out of their parents' house allowed them to enjoy the true college experience while remaining close to home gave them advantages that many Truman students did not have. Being close to home allowed them to visit frequently, do their laundry, eat home-cooked meals and spend time with their parents. (photo by Josh Adams)

Audobon Society members play tug-of-war as they struggle to free a rubber hose from the bank of Bear Creek. While working to clean up the creek in September, members also found car parts, a metal sign and numerous mattress springs. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Olga Brady
Benjamin Braun
Aaron Brewer
Melissa Brittain
Tony Brookins
Christina Brown



Michelle Bullock
Catherine Burnett
Lane Butler
Keven Byerley
Rebecca Byers
Cherron Byrd



Rama Rao Calaga
Christina Callahan
Karen Callanan
Amelia Campbell
Angela Carron
Joel Case



Amanda Casper
Carrie Catlett
Jean Cauwenbergh
Christine Clark
Margaret Clark
Anthony Colombo





Michael Cone
Jonathan Cook
Jill Corbett
Kelly Dann
Allison Deakin
Danielle Dearing

Leslie Deckard
Sarah Dennis
Monica Detrixhe
Jocelyn Diehl
Michael Dierking
Jonathan Dirksen

Eugene Doerr
Melanie Donato
Summer Dorsey
Lori Drake
Erica Dreyer
Jason Drinen

*"I call it pop
because
the top
p o p s
when you
open it."*

Emily Beyer
★ Freshman ★

*What do you
say?*
Soda or Pop

*"It should be soda
because it
c o m e s
from a
s o d a
fountain."*

Mike Brewer
★ Freshman ★

Put In Their Place

Such a large freshmen class caused the University to look for more living space.

The lack of living space called for some creative living assignments. Residential Living placed every incoming freshman in a room somewhere on campus, but it may not have been the traditional living quarters.

During the summer, each freshman sent in his/her living assignment preference. Due to the lack of space, not everyone received his/her first choice.

Jana Giger was a freshman called by Residential Living over the summer. She was given the choice to live in Brewer Hall, a sorority residence hall, or the fourth floor of Dobson, a coed residential hall.

"I was ticked off, there was no way that I wanted to live with all sorority girls or in a

dorm that I heard smelled," Giger said. "I was about to say screw Truman—then I thought that's pretty childish, I just better take what I can get."

Giger eventually chose to live in Brewer Hall. She felt that she missed out on the community life

Jason Haxton, residential living director, was pleased with the way his staff handled the increase of incoming freshmen.

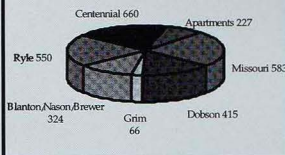
"We have always housed everyone somehow," Haxton said. "There are things we would do to make sure all freshmen get placed."

The University was pleased with the large demand for on-campus living arrangements.

"At other schools they are closing floors and entire dorms; we are lucky to have so many people wanting to live on campus," Ryle Colleges Director Amy Malaska said. "This gives us the money to put back into the dorms for repairs and programming. We don't understand what a beautiful and wonderful challenge this is."

☆ Nikki Kindle ☆

Students Living in On-Campus Housing



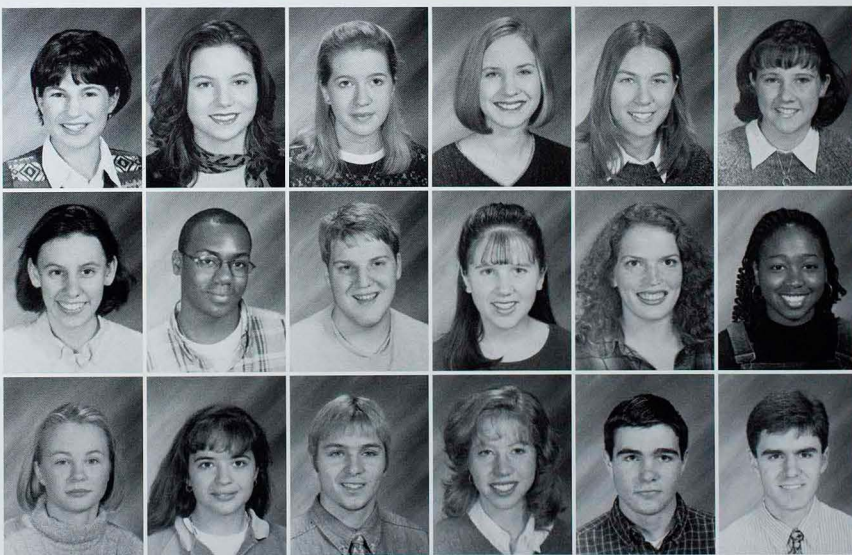
of residence halls, since the women who lived in Brewer were already familiar with each other.

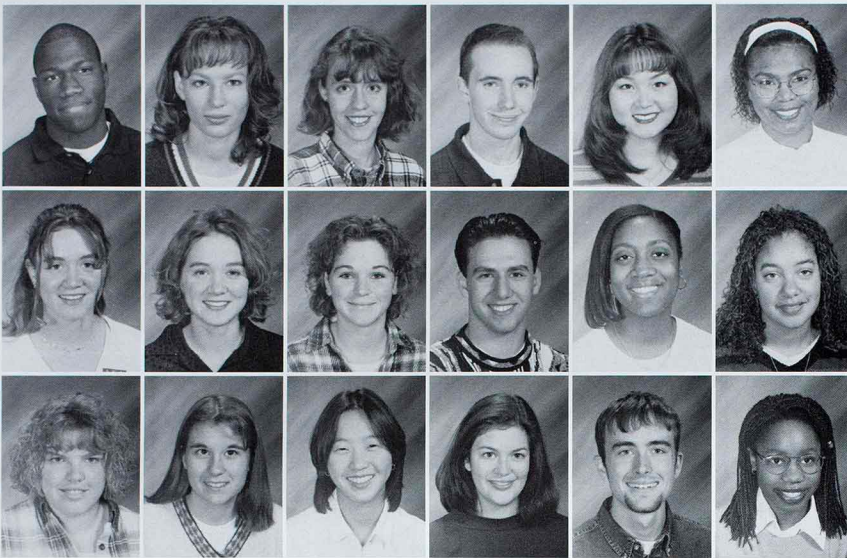
Around a dozen students were given the opportunity to live in Fair Apartments.

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Shelly Drum
Erica Duenow
Shanna Dunkle
Alison Duy
Heather Dye

Christine Eatherton
Gregory Elliott
Ryan Emmett
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Christine Esneault
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Jenny Fadler
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Justin Fears
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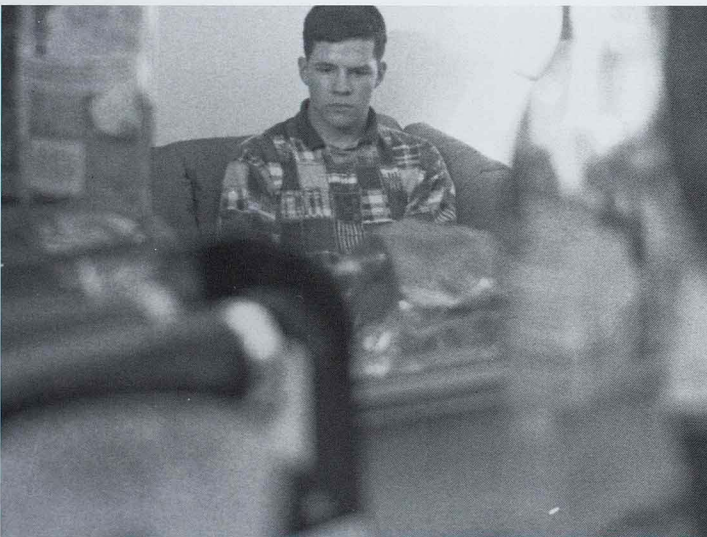
Phillip Flemming
Jodi Flowers
Valerie Flury
Walter Fontane
Merina Foster
Juliette Frederick

Julie Fridlington
Emily Fridlington
Heather Fuller
James Gallo
Kendra Gardiner
Sarah Gentry

Alison Gerlach
Erin Gervais
Shelise Gieseke
Angela Glascock
Matthew Gorton
Tinia Gray

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no way I
wanted to live
with all
sorority girls."*

Jana Giger
☆ Freshman ☆



Taking a break, freshman Kevin Alexander relaxes in his Fair Apartment. Like many freshmen, he was not given his first choice of housing, nor his second or third. Alexander liked living in Fair because of the three separated living areas and the study environment. However, he did not have the opportunity to meet people via the friendly, open-door environment of the residence halls. (photo by Josh Adams)

"I think the playing field is a great idea. The field by the tennis courts barely has any grass and is shared by the band, ROTC, Ultimate Frisbee™ and rugby teams."

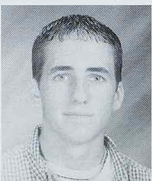
**More
pavement,
less grass?**

"I don't think that we should have to sacrifice parking in order to build just another field. If they want to build a new field, they should turn the old one into a parking lot."

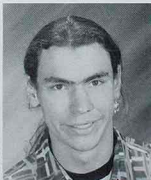
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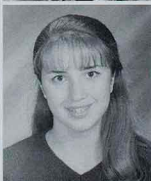
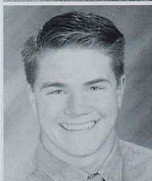
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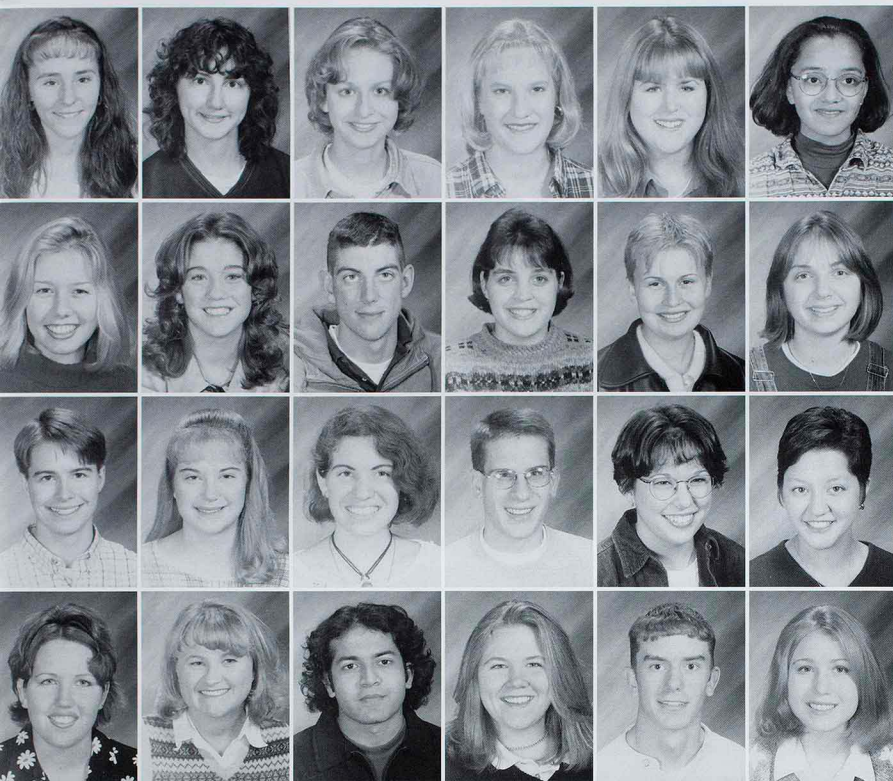


Nora Haffner
Courtney Hall
Erin Halsey
John Halski
Emily Hankins
Angela Hardin



Lani Harimoto
Michelle Harker
Nick Harms
Michelle Harshmann
Brette Hart
Jill Hatridge





Melissa Heady
Abby Heckman
Andrea Hein
Jaclyn Hentges
Tara Hermann
Erika Hernandez

Lauren Hiatt
Kristi Hickam
David Hill
Erin Hodschayan
Christine Hooker
Erin Hucke

Timothy Hudson
Kimberly Hughes
Melanie Hurst
Ken Hussey
Angie Ingraham
Marjorie Iwai

Sara Jackson
Rachel Jakobe
Arif Jamal
Renee Jeep
Ryan Jennings
Mary Johanning



Rugby players hold their annual alumni game on the all-purpose field next to the tennis courts. This field was also used by the Ultimate Frisbee team, ROTC and the marching band. The transformation of parking spaces into a playing field sparked great emotion in the student body. Some students were appalled by the decision to reduce parking, while others celebrated that they would finally have a decent field. (photo submitted)

Behind The Scenes

Located behind Baldwin Hall's little theater was a small shop that was important to the theater productions at Truman.

The shop was so small that many people didn't know it existed.

Student workers kept the costume shop running. Many workers received scholarship hours or participated for their own enjoyment.

"I have been working in the costume shop for about two years now," senior Josh Kelley said. "I got started last year when I took a class with Joan Mather, and well, I kind of got hooked!"

The shop workers were not the only invisible help located in the theater department. There were also many other people who worked behind the scenes. The construction, sound and light crews were important fac-

tors in a successful production.

In preparation for upcoming productions, workers held meetings with the show's director. The next step was for students and faculty to create the actual set that would be used for the show.

suming and really exhausting, yet it was fun."

The shop either created new costumes or pulled costumes from storage. After a production, costumes were placed in storage so that they could be used in future shows.

The construction crew worked on the creation of the props that were used in the shows.

"Working on the construction crew takes a lot of my time, but it is a very rewarding job to have," freshman Dan 'Flip' O'Brien said. "I enjoy working with the other students and I also enjoy seeing a finished product on the stage."

The audience, actors and backstage participants all contributed to each successful production.

Major Productions

☆ Little Shop of ☆

Horrors

☆ Our Town ☆

☆ Die Fledermaus ☆

☆ As You Like It ☆

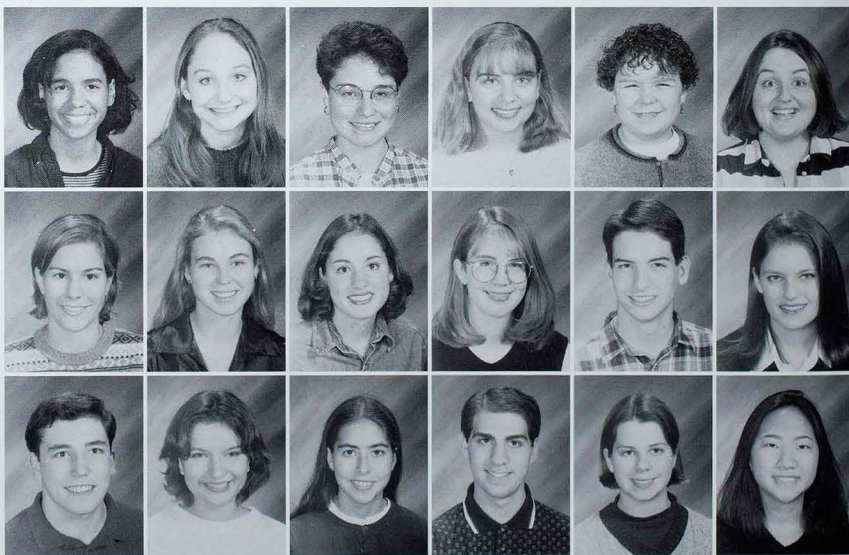
"When I worked on the student-directed plays, I felt really busy," junior Carolynne Beck said. "I was the stage manager for one [play] and I also ran the sound board. Meeting with all the people was always time con-

☆ Becky Hilburn ☆

Kimberley Joseph
Erin Kachman
Caroline Kallal
Tricia Kammerer
Elizabeth Kean
Amy Kearney

Erin Keller
Gina Keller
Julie Keller
Amanda Kerr
Bradley Kinnear
Beth Kleffner

James Knowles
Natalia Kolasa
Leah Kolchinsky
Ryan Koonce
Andria Kopp
Elena Korynta





David Kossman
Melanie Kramer
Lesley Kuhl
Mitchell Kunert
Roanne Lane
Elizabeth Lange

Kenneth Lederle
Melissa Lehmann
Mary Leitner
Megan Lemons
Kelly Levins
Elaine Lillquist

Kelly Limbrick
Franchesca Little
Nicole Livingston
Jennifer Locker
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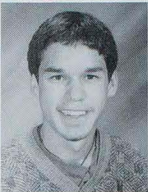
Dan "Flip" O'Brien
☆ Freshman ☆

Preparing costumes for different productions is the main job of costume shop workers sophomore Moira Cavanagh and Joan Mather, assistant professor of theater. The costume shop was located in Baldwin Hall. The work of the crews behind the scenes allowed the productions at Truman to be a success. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)

Kathleen Loughran
Alisha Love
Erica Lozano
Anne Lueken
Melinda Lydon
Elizabeth Malone



Melissa Marshall
Timothy Martin
Christina Martinez
Josh Martinez
Rica Martinez
Megan Matusiak



Jennifer May
David Mayhew
Melissa Mayo
Crissy McBee
Josh McCabe
Rachel McCarty



"I read the sidewalk chalk advertisements because they get my attention and are colorful.

Campus bulletin boards usually seem to be cluttered full of announcements, so sidewalk chalk is easier to read and a more economical alternative."

Michelle Harker
☆ Freshman ☆

Sidewalk Chalk

Source of
information or cause
of confusion

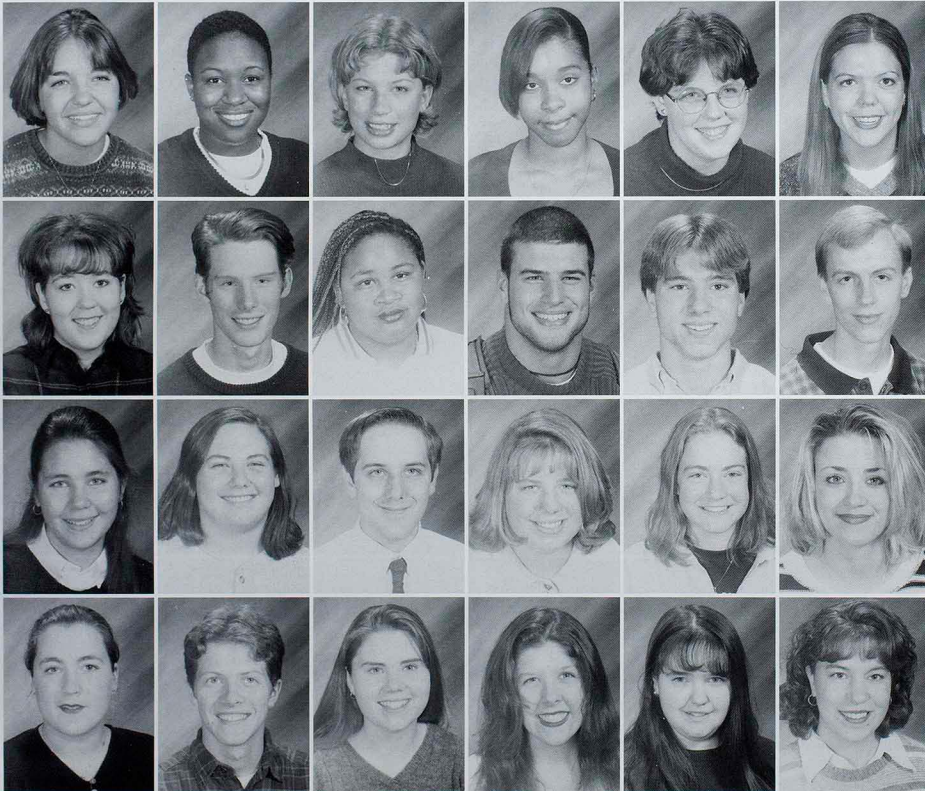
"Sidewalk chalk is highly over-rated. You can't read what it says half the time because it gets

smudged when people walk all over it. It is also very annoying when they write that an event will occur on a certain day of the week, but don't give the specific date."

Amy Luadzers
☆ Sophomore ☆



Promoting participation in the AIDS Walk, junior Claire Rosche chalks the sidewalk in front of Kirk Building. Sidewalk chalking was a form of advertising commonly used by most campus organizations. While some students felt sidewalk chalking was useful, others found it annoying. Students could often tell what was going on during the week just by checking the ground. (photo by Tina Patel)



Aimee McClay
April McCowan
Erin McFarland
Kandice McFerren
Elizabeth McGuire
Julie McGuire

Amanda McKay
Scott McMillan
Cynthia McNeal
Paul McQuillen
Kevin McWilliams
Shane Mecham

Laura Meierhoff
Amy Metzger
Brian Meyer
Jenna Meyer
Carey Michenfelder
Lindsay Miller

Lindsey Miller
Ben Millett
Tara Millsap
Mary Milwenger
Ariane Moberly
Sarah Montgomery

Filling Vacancies

Junior Jessica Neighbors received a phone call Jan. 22 she had not forget.

The call was from Gov. Mel Carnahan, and he was congratulating her on being named to Truman State University's Board of Governors.

Neighbors was appointed the student representative to the board, a position she would fill for two years. She replaced senior Matt Braun.

As a member of the board, the student representative provided a student opinion on issues concerning the University. The student representative met with President Jack Magruder regularly, attended regular Board of Governors meetings and served as a liaison to Student Senate.

In order to be selected for the Board of Governors, Neighbors

had to go through a lengthy selection process. She had to submit an application, a resume and a personal statement.

The candidates had two interviews with a selection committee

view with the governor.

"The interviews were very thorough," Neighbors said, "with the student selection interviews being more strenuous than the one with the governor."

Despite the difficult selection process, Neighbors was excited about the position.

"I am interested in the future of the University," Neighbors said. "I am hoping that during my term I will see a lot of improvements in student services."

Braun felt his two years on the board provided him with experience dealing with people in a professional manner.

"I have a greater understanding of the intricacies of running an institution like Truman," Braun said.

☆ Ken Hussey ☆

Duties

- ☆ Student Senate liaison
- ☆ Attends board meetings
- ☆ Meets with University president
- ☆ Attends various University functions

made up of seven students. The committee selected freshman Amy Sanders, sophomore Mike DuBois, and Neighbors as the three finalists. They were approved by Student Senate.

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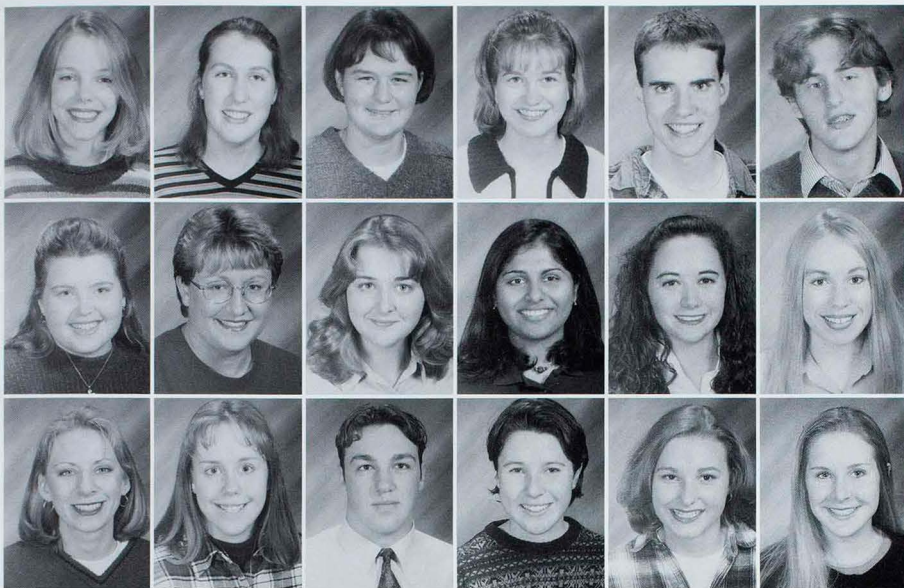


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Christine Paine





Sabrina Parker
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Kim Payne
Joy Pfalzgraf
Scott Philippi
Matthew Potts

Amanda Powell
Season Prewitt
Alissa Purcell
Sana Qalbani
Megan Quigley
Heather Rasmussen

Kimberly Ratliff
Leslea Ready
Vince Redman
Sara Reeb
Melissa Reese
Jennifer Regnery



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Jessica Neighbors

☆ Junior ☆

Newly elected to the Board of Governors, junior Jessica Neighbors looks over a handout outlining the presentation given by Kathy Rieck, dean of admissions and records. The board discussed topics including statistics of the incoming freshmen class, the expansion of residential colleges and the increase in tuition. Neighbor's purpose was to provide the board with a student opinion and to relay information from the meetings back to Student Senate. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

"During the women's games there are only parents in the stands, but when the men's games start, they're packed."

Charriss Hayes
☆ Sophomore ☆

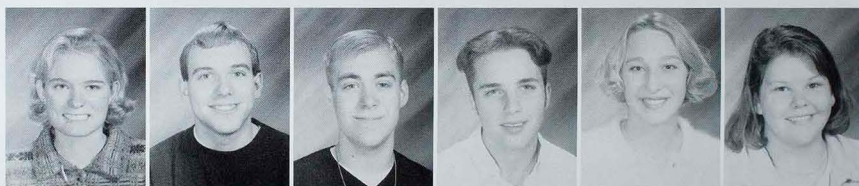
Spirit

Either you have it or you don't

"I think everyone is too caught up in academics, and they don't have enough time to watch sports or go to other events."

Stephanie Keller
☆ Junior ☆

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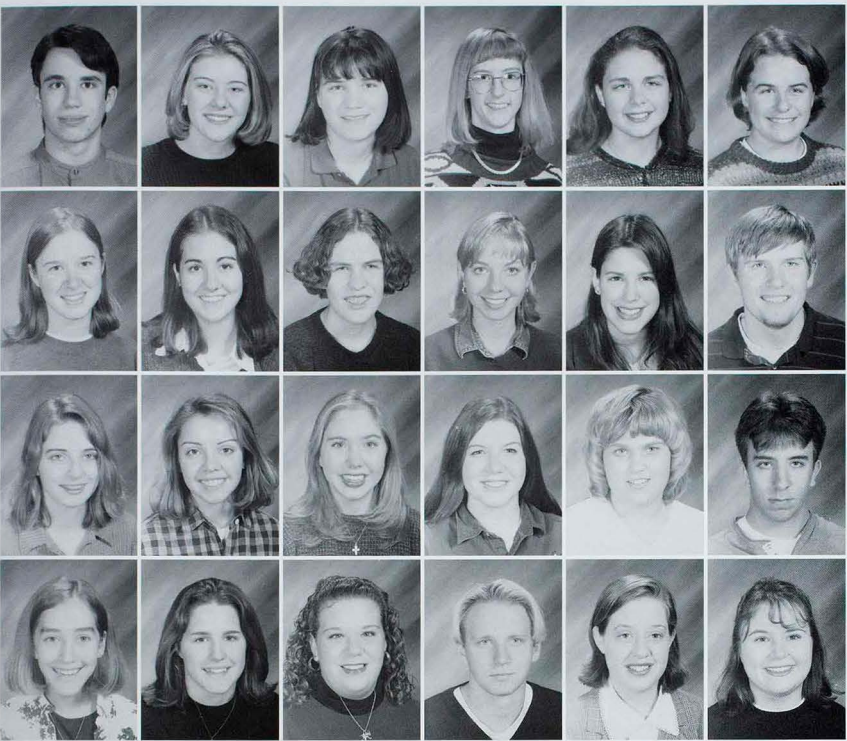


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Matthew Scharnhorst
Christy Schmitt
Sara Schmitt
Angela Schmitz
Beth Schroeder
Kendra Schuerman

Kim Schultz
Cindy Schwalm
Lori Schwartz
Rebecca Scott
Heather Scrivner
Robert Sherron

Rebecca Shoemaker
Melissa Shriver
Maria Sides
Jennifer Sieh
Tina Sippely
Shane Smith

Beth Snyder
Wendi Sobaski
Tricia Sobery
Byron Sparks
Tricia Spencer
Jamie Stallard



Cheering at the top of their lungs, students show their excitement at the Homecoming Pep Rally. In an attempt to promote school spirit, the cheerleaders threw plastic footballs into the stands during home football games. Another approach was taken during basketball season. Each student's name was placed in a drawing for a large cash sum and one name was drawn during every home game. (photo by Lauren Medley)

Twin Confusion

Visitors to Truman often noted how the small campus allowed them to see familiar faces during their stay. With several sets of twins attending Truman, some faces were even more familiar than others.

Twins noted the confusion that their appearance often caused among students. Freshmen Jessi and Fran Swartz often experienced such confusion.

"People who had my sister in their first semester classes thought that I was her again in my second semester classes," Jessi Swartz said.

Confusion existed outside of the classroom as well.

"With the number of people here and the number of classes we have in common, people get easily confused," Jessi Swartz said.

For many twins, college was an opportunity to break from the stereotype of being the same.

"We were at each other's throats in high school because we were always 'the twins.' We were treated as a collective unit, not as individuals," freshman Julie Fridlington said. "In college, we have been able to develop individually and bring that back to each other."

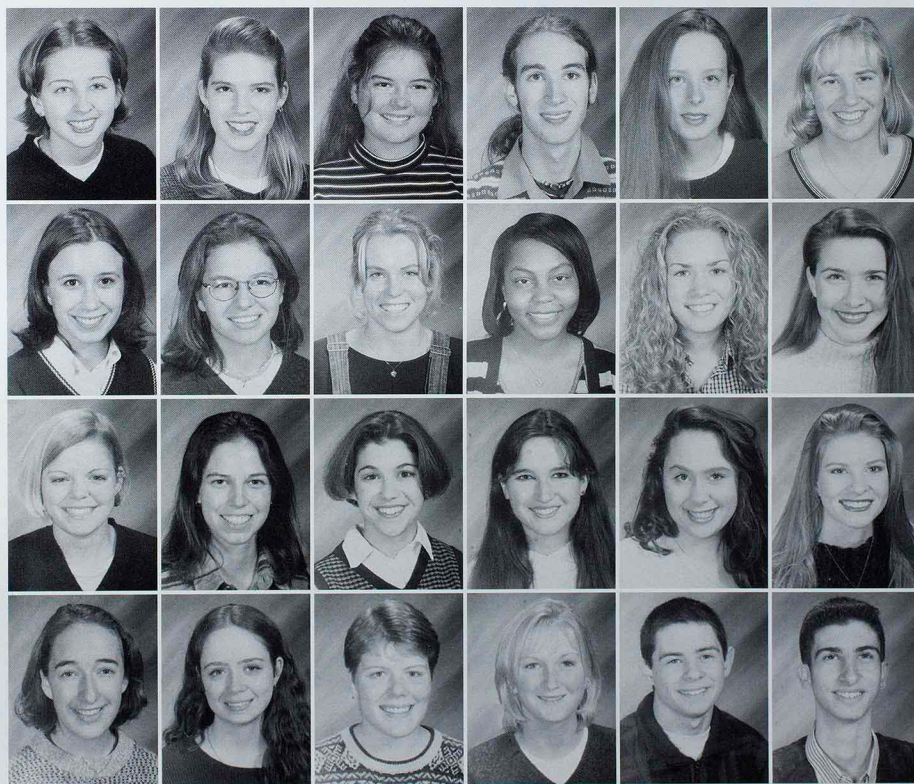
Even though the two came to college with the intent of grow-

ing as individuals, their similarities brought them to the same activities. Both Fridlingtons were members of Showgirls and Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority.

"We didn't even tell each other what we wrote down on the sorority bid cards," Emily Fridlington said. "We didn't want to influence each other, but it turned out that we liked the same thing."

It seemed that no matter how far apart or different twins were, there was always something that brought them together.

☆ Kate Koenig ☆

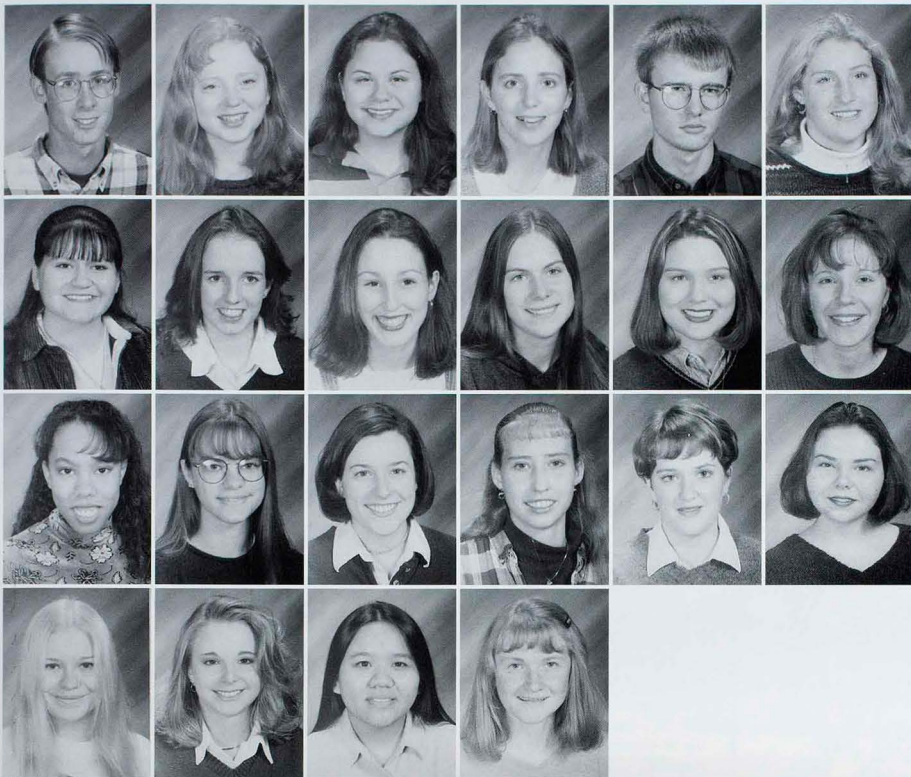


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Tonya Stryker
Jessica Swartz

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Tara Thiemann
Julie Thien
Leslie Thomas
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Carolyn Tracy
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Laura Trump
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Sam Valenti
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Eric Veile
Sally Vermillion
Dawn Volmert
Beth Wayant
Matt Webber
Amy Weinberger

Dixie Wheeler
Ann Wienke
Lauren Willard
Isabella Willsey
Rachel Wilmesherr
Allyson Wilson

Monica Wimbley
Julia Woehlke
Erin Wolf
Beth Woodin
Julie Wright
Shannon Wright

Katie Yoell
Jaclyn York
Shirley Yu
Lindsey Zimmerman



Taking time out to enjoy a couple of laughs, freshmen Fran and Jessi Swartz take advantage of the time they have together. Living in separate dorms and participating in different organizations allowed the Swartzs to retain separate identities while living only a few minutes apart. Most twins on campus found that it was easier to be recognized as individuals in college than in high school. (photo by Tina Patel)

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Jessi Swartz
☆ Freshman ☆

Campus Coffeehouse

Students relax Down Under

Every month students could sit back, relax and listen to bands while drinking their favorite coffee.

Campus Coffeehouse was sponsored by the Student Activities Board. It differed from other coffeehouses because the bands performing were made up of students.

"It gives a forum for students to display their musical talent," Event

Chair John Edwards said.

Campus Coffeehouse ran from 8 to 11 p.m. and showcased three to four bands. It was held in the Down Under of the Student Union Building. Coffeehouse attracted a large crowd every month. Students were drawn there for various reasons.

"It's a good way to relax and do some homework," sophomore Ryan Brueckmann said.

Junior Becky Owens, publicity committee member, said SAB were trying to draw even more people by having hot chocolate and beanbag chairs.

Edwards said they were also branching out by including poetry readings and drama acts.

"Before only a few people knew about it, but now it's something that people look forward to," Owens said.

Students enjoyed the free coffee and they all agreed it was a good atmosphere to socialize.

"It's free and sometimes you know the people in the bands," junior Molly Nahm said.

Freshman William Enochs, a member of the band Magik Rub, said Edwards had heard them play and asked them to perform.

"It's a lot of fun to play at Coffeehouse," Enochs said. "It's

a relaxed environment, and it's just fun to go in and play."

Freshman Matt Brown, a member of the band Atterberrybrown, said he heard of Coffeehouse through a SAB friend.

"I don't often get a chance to play live and this is a good chance to do that," Brown said.

Edwards asked the band Fish Bowl Soul to play, and they became a frequent performer at Coffeehouse. Sophomore band member Chris Schlueter had come to Coffeehouse for two years.

"It is one of the only places to play in Kirksville and have people see you," Schlueter said.

Coffeehouse continued to gain popularity over its three years.

"I think it is more popular now because Kirksville lacks a coffee shop hang out, and this is something people can go to," junior Matt Siemer said.

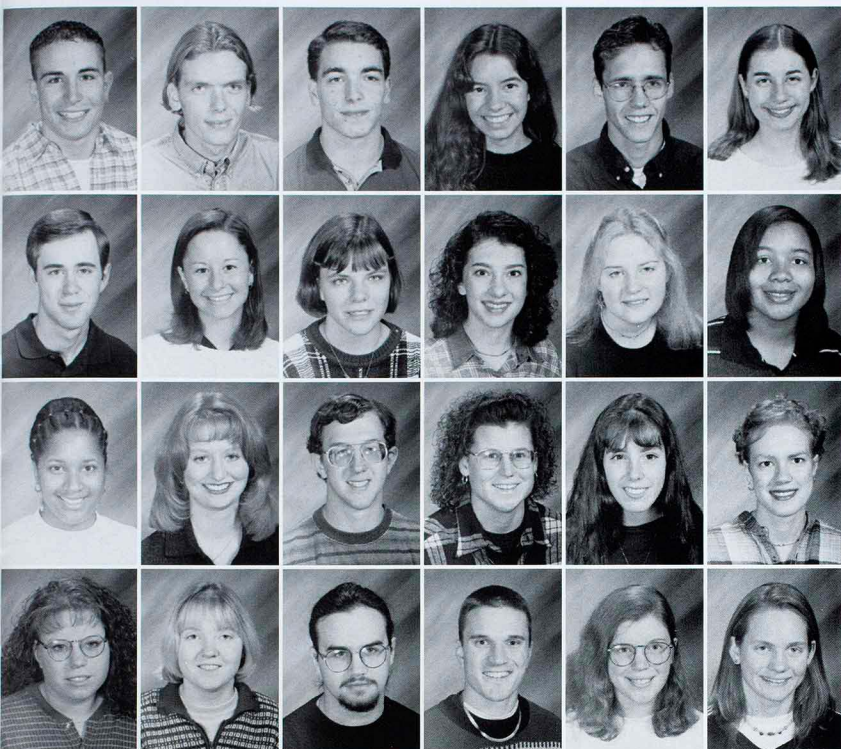
☆ Amy DeHart ☆

“It is one of the only places in Kirksville to play and have people see you.”

Chris Schlueter
☆ Sophomore ☆

Freshmen Molly Pledge and Bruce Rogers enjoy hot chocolate while listening to Atterberrybrown. They learned of the event through posters around campus. Many continued to visit the Campus Coffeehouse because they liked the music and cozy atmosphere.





Sam Africano IV
Allan Andersen
Ben Anderson
Kathleen Anselmo
Keith Aumiller
Christine Banaskavich

Nicholas Basteen
Amy Bauer
Angela Benton
Jennifer Besand
Christina Birdsell
Monica Blackmon

Lakisha Blue
Jennifer Bodenhamer
Josh Boehme
Stacie Boes
Annette Bordeaux
Marisa Brammer

Stephanie Brenneke
Alina Brown
Neal Brown
Joseph Bruhl
Laura Bueneman
Sonya Burgers



Taking advantage of the chance to play in front of a live audience, Atterberrybrown performs at Campus Coffeehouse. Band members included freshman Matt Brown and sophomore David Atterberry. The coffeehouse provided a relaxed environment where students could socialize with friends or do homework. (photos by Hemal Patel)

Freshman Stacey Swenson uses her credit card to pay for purchases at the Truman Bookstore. Many students applied for credit cards with the good intentions of only using them in emergency situations and paying them off in full at the end of the month.

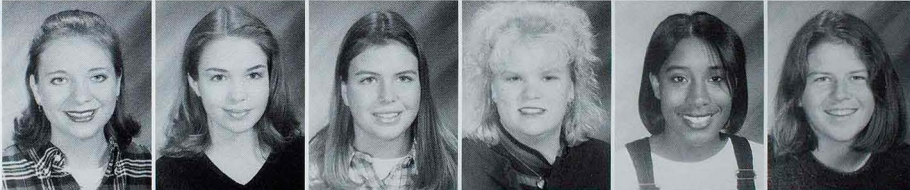
Emergency situations quickly expanded to include spring break trips and other costs while students often found themselves scraping to come up with enough money to pay the bill. (photo by Tina Patel)



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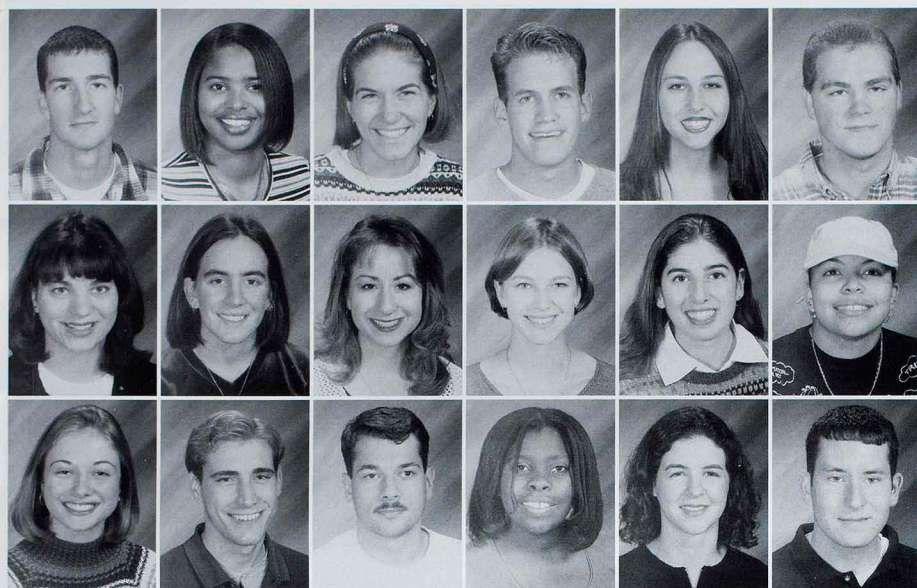


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LeAnn Enloe





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Kesha Facen
Nicole Finley
Downey Fitzgerald
Sunshine Fleeman
Chris Flieger

Elissa Ford
Emily Fortman
Rebecca French
Catherine Gain
Jennifer Gallichio
April Galvin

Jessica Gaskill
Adam Gebhardt
Patrick Gibbons
Janna Goldman
Kristin Goodwin
Bill Green

"Credit cards are very useful things to have, especially in emergency situations. You just have to be really careful and know your limits. I just use mine when I forget my checkbook and I always try to have enough money to pay the entire bill at the end of the month."

Mindy Gunn
☆ Junior ☆

Credit Cards

Building good credit or getting buried in debt?

"When I first got a credit card, I went crazy. I had a lot of money that I'd never had before. I never thought about the fact that in a month I might not have \$20 to make the minimum payment. I had to take out student loans just to pay them off. They're evil, and you should stay away from them."

Valerie Fawler
☆ Senior ☆

Making Tough Calls

Student officials take the heat

He may have been your best friend's roommate and she may have been the cute girl that sat next to you in biology, but all that changed when they put on their bright purple shirts.

From the beginning of the first match through half time and until the last run came across the plate, they were intramural officials.

Despite the beliefs of some players, student officials weren't just pulled from the sidelines.

"Everybody has a speciality, and mine is basketball," junior Dave Unger said.

Student officials were required to go through extensive training

which included watching videos, reading booklets and holding small-group discussions.

In addition, they also received hands-on training and experience by officiating in mock games coordinated by assistant intramural director Bill Borgia.

"Appearance and eye contact are very important," Borgia said. "If you look like an official and sell your calls you get respect."

Unfortunately, knowing the rules and guidelines were not always enough to keep the Bulldog officials out of the dog house. Intramural athletes were often vocal in proclaiming they didn't foul, touch the net or leave the base too early.

Many athletes were convinced that the time they spent playing high school athletics and pick-up games made them more qualified than the officials.

"One team or the other is going to be upset no matter what

call you make," junior Jake Simmons said. "Knowing that you made the right call and sticking with it is what's important."

One thing that both the student athletes and the officials tended to agree upon was the improvement of the intramural program after the opening of the Student Recreation Center in August.

"The Rec Center has done wonders for the intramural program," Borgia said. "We're able to schedule games for a longer range at constant times."

After the games were over, though, the purple shirts came off, and the officials simply became Truman students again.

"The players get heated and it can get intense sometimes, but when the final buzzer goes off we're cool," Unger said. "The players say good game to the referees and vice versa. We're all just out there to have fun."

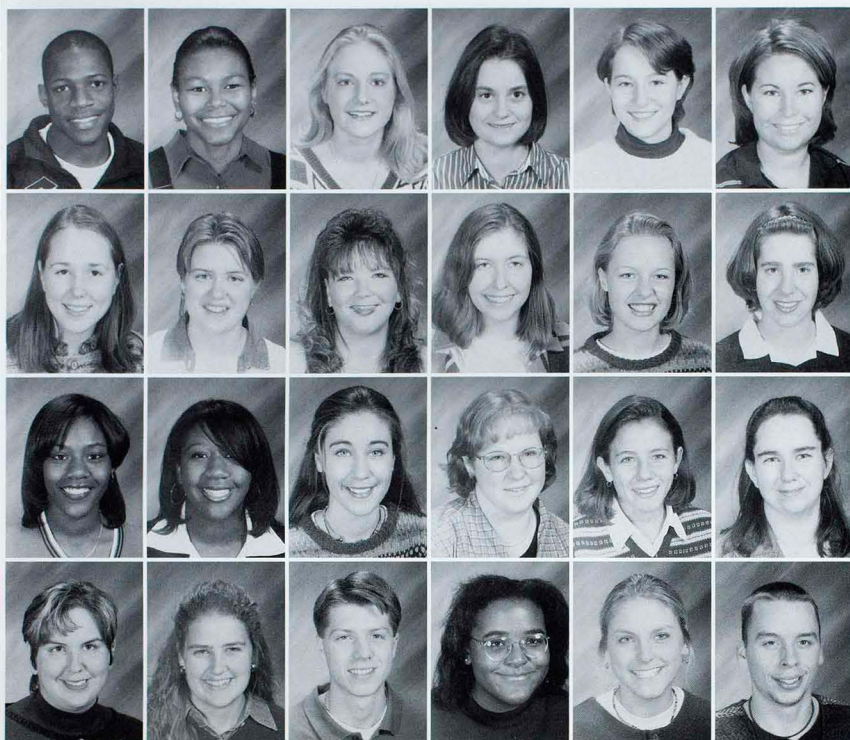
☆ Stephanie Brenneke ☆

“Knowing that you made the right call and sticking with it is what's important.”

Jake Simmons
☆ Junior ☆

Junior Jake Simmons calls a foul during an intramural game. Bright purple shirts separated the intramural officials from the players. The intramural players may not have always liked the calls that were made, but the officials worked hard to be consistent and accurate.





David Green
Felica Griffin
Ellen Grimm
Laura Guandolo
Brigid Gutting
Christine Hale

Janine Hall
Julie Hammons
Kim Harter
Aubrey Hawley
Abby Heeter
Susan Hein

Hamani Henderson
Nicole Henderson
Jessica Henry
Rebecca Hilburn
Kelly Hildebrandt
Janice Hodges

Rebecca Hoehn
Marissa Holmes
Matthew Horenkamp
April Howard
Ashley Hunt
Nicholas Iwig



Sophomore April McRaven calls an offensive charge as her friend and roommate, sophomore Sara Corcoran falls to the floor. Working on such a small campus, intramural officials often had to make calls for and against their friends' teams. Some officials even switched sides on occasion and participated in the intramural sports. (photos by Josh Adams)

"To smoke or not to smoke is a personal decision that each of us makes. Those that decide to smoke should not be treated differently than those who don't. By choosing to smoke and to destroy their lungs, they also choose to stand outside in cold and rainy weather. I don't want to die because of a choice they made."

Susan Backes
 ☆ Freshman ☆

Smokers

*Need more rights
 or need to quit?*

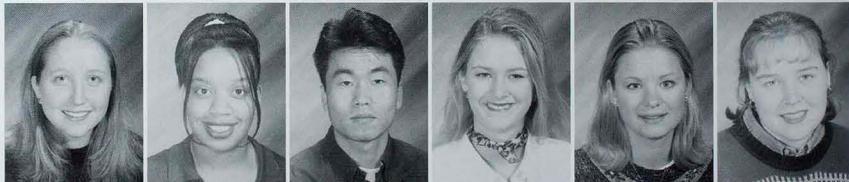
"I think that it is totally unfair that we have no academic buildings on campus that permit smoking. I understand that some people don't like to be around smoke, but isn't that the reason that designated smoking areas were created? By giving rights to one group, the University has infringed upon those of others."

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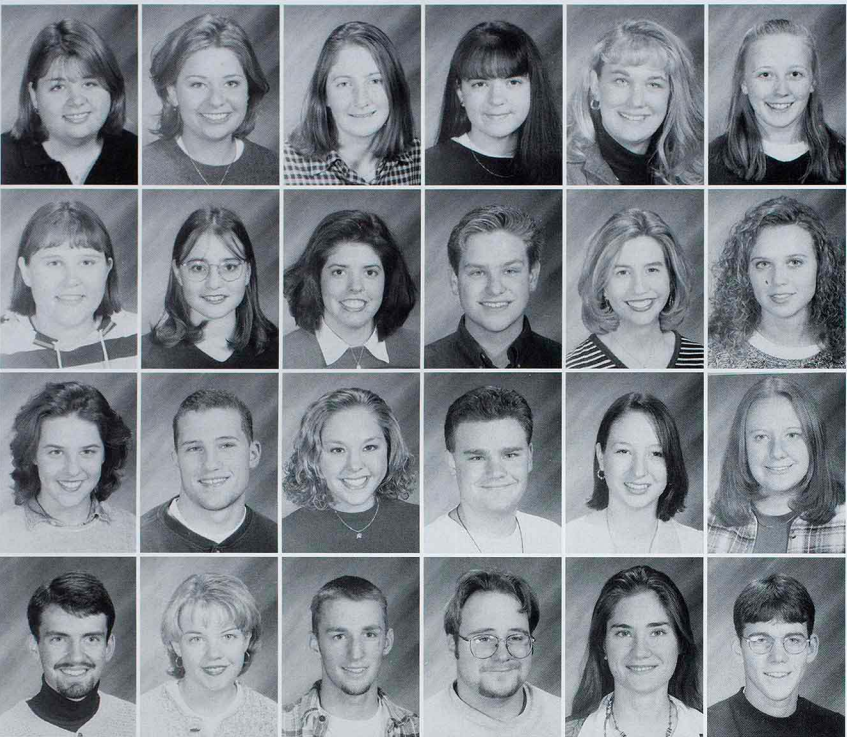


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 Amy Linsenbardt





Hannah Lucas
Leah Lucas
Kathleen Mallon
Kristen Marsh
Kelley Matyska
Elizabeth McFadden

Robin McNaught
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Ross Merritt
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Cory Milles
Jennifer Mitchell
Melissa Mitschele

Christopher Mobley
Cynthia Moffitt
Jeremy Monroe
Pete Moore
Monica Morris
Ryan Mulbery



Due to the lack of smoking areas inside most residence halls, freshman Melissa Anfield smokes outside while talking to her friend. Although there were designated smoking areas inside Dobson Hall, student smokers wanted more areas accessible to them. In the winter, smokers were often seen huddled together outside to enjoy a cigarette. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Animals on the Quad

Pets add a little life to campus

As the weather turned warmer, the squirrels were not the only animals swarming the campus.

Students and faculty alike brought their animals onto campus to play during the nicer weather.

Fred Shaffer, professor of psychology, had five dogs (four male German shepherds and a female that

was half wolf and half malamute) and took turns bringing each one to campus.

"It is a chance to socialize and do obedience training with them," Shaffer said. "I take them where they will encounter people, but I give people enough room to avoid

them if they feel uncomfortable."

Although his dogs remained on leashes, many campus animals did not. Melissa Ware, Sports Information director, brought her dog, Hannah, to the office four afternoons a week.

Everyone seemed to like Hannah, a Labrador retriever and rottweiler mix, who enjoyed hanging out under the desk in the Sports Information office. Even though she visited many times, her owner was never approached about having an animal in the building.

According to the student handbook, there were no rules against having pets in office buildings. It also stated that as long as pets were not creating a "public nuisance," they were allowed on campus.

Although some people tried to avoid animals playing on campus, most non-pet owners seemed to react positively to the abun-

dance of animals around campus, especially on the Quad.

"People usually look kind of surprised when Hannah stands up and wags her tail and walks over to be petted," Ware said. "But they usually just pet her and go on."

Other pets on campus attracted a different kind of attention. Freshman Monette DeSimone brought her pet ferret to campus on several occasions. Her ferret, Fabulous, was usually on a leash unless there were not many people around. Having an unusual pet on campus often drew several strangers who had questions and wanted to visit.

"Every time I take her out I talk to about five people I have never seen before," DeSimone said.

Students who were forced to leave pets behind when coming to college appreciated the opportunity to see and play with animals on campus.

☆ Jennifer Adams ☆

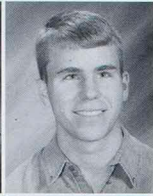
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Fred Schaffer

☆ Professor of psychology ☆

”Lured outside by warm weather, senior Anne Volkmann plays with her roommate's dogs Steeler, Kobe and Tyson on campus. Pets were a common sight on the Quad as the weather improved. Many dogs enjoyed playing fetch or just taking a quick run through the fountain in front of the Student Union Building. (photo by Tina Patel)

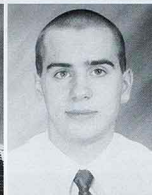
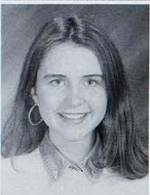




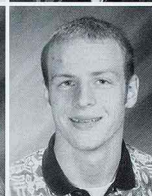
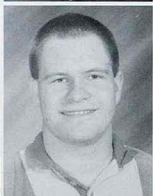
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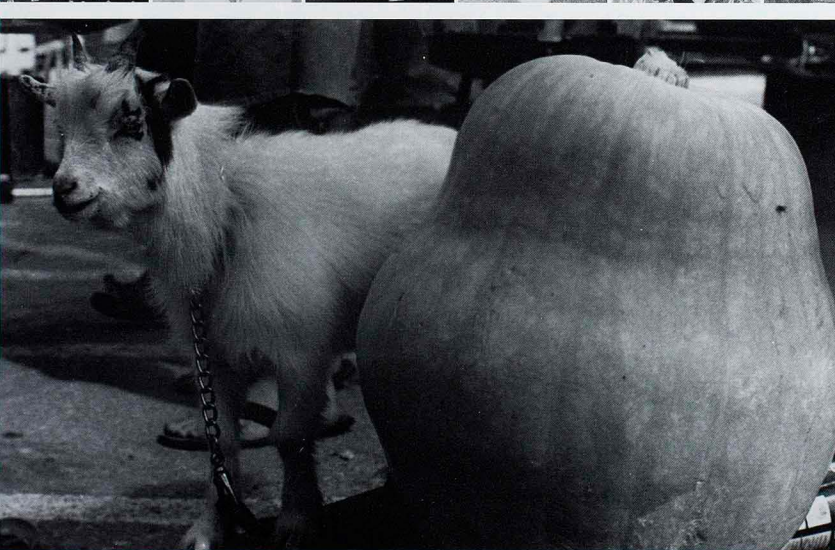
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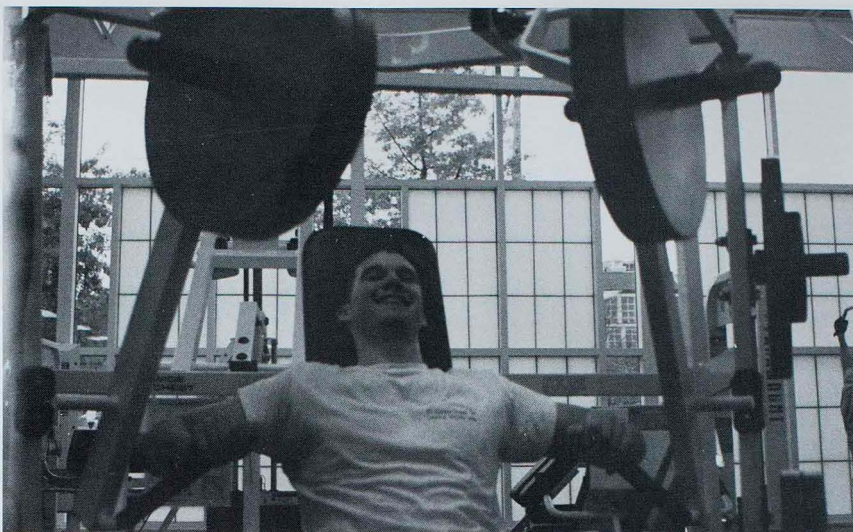


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Justin Ryburn
Alana Schwier



Peeking out from behind a huge pumpkin, Little David Harazin made his debut on campus during Family Day. The small, Nigerian pygmy goat frequented home football games and quickly became the unofficial mascot for the team. Other animals that could often be seen scampering around campus included squirrels, dogs and ferrets. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Working to stay in shape, sophomore Matt Driskill lifts weights in the Student Recreation Center. While many students on campus worked out on a regular basis, others felt they did not have the time nor the desire to exercise. For students who preferred to exercise outside, Truman offered tennis courts, sand volleyball courts, an outdoor track and a playing field. (photo by Josh Adams)



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Lori Sickmann
Emily Sides
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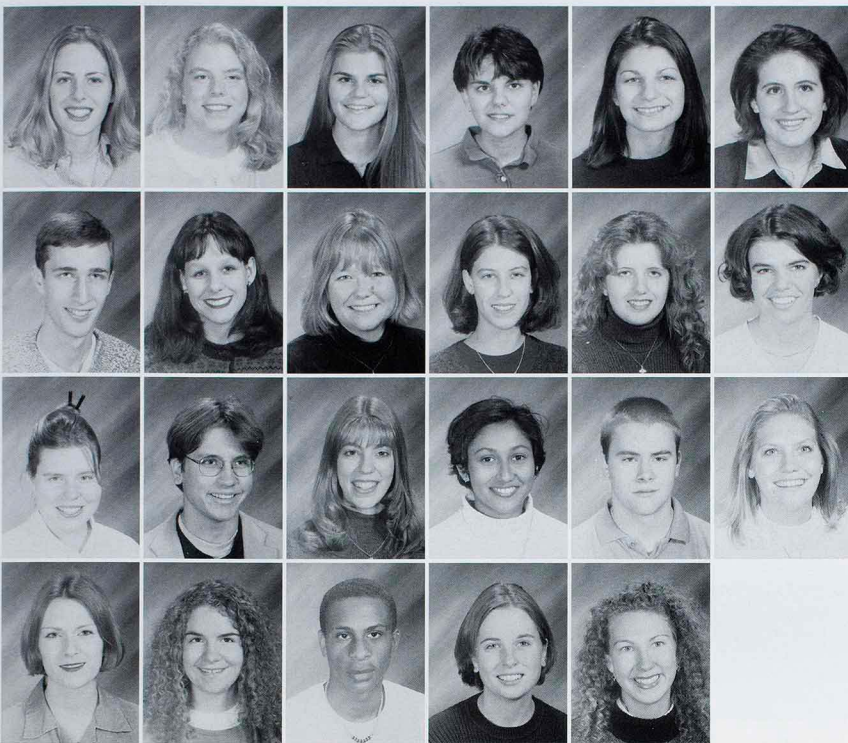


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Molly Trauernicht
Carrie Trauterman





Laura VanByssum
Lauren Vehige
Kristin Virag
Laurie Wager
Laura Walters
Sally Walz

Jason Ward
Kimberly Washburn
Stacy Weilbacher
Rebecca Weintraub
Laura Westoff
Lyndsay Wheeler

Holly Wherry
David Widitz
Lauren Wightman
Himaja Wijenayake
Aaron Winkler
Sandy Witte

Caroline Woods
Erin Wright
Triston Wright
Sara Young
Mary Ziegler

"I work out to keep myself in shape. I used to play sports in high school."

Jennifer Ferguson
☆ Freshman ☆

Your Place
In the action or sitting on the sidelines

"I work my fingers with the remote control while I sit in my bed."

Michael Roth
☆ Senior ☆

Students Collect The Weirdest Things

It all started with childhood. Fortunately, growing up did not make the art of collecting a thing of the past.

Senior Teresa McAlpine had collected Pez dispensers for five years.

"My mom gave me one as a present for a holiday and then my friend gave me another [dispenser] for my birthday," McAlpine said.

Since then, she had collected over 80 different dispensers.

McAlpine went to a Pez convention where she played Bingo and won two rare dispensers.

McAlpine planned to give her dispensers away if something would happen to her. Her friends picked a Pez of their choice and then recorded it in a "will."

"If anything should happen to me, each of my friends could have

a Pez to remember me by," she said.

Other collections doubled as room decorations.

Junior Connie Kovach made a border in her room with "Got Milk?" ads. The first milk advertisement she saw made her laugh.

"I thought it was funny that celebrities would actually have themselves in a public magazine with a milk mustache," she said.

Kovach had a total of 55 ads and checked the "Got Milk?" website periodically for any additional advertisements.

After always looking at milk advertisements, she changed her drinking habits.

"Milk used to be my favorite thing, but now that I see it every day, I don't really drink it anymore," Kovach said.

Collections also represented

what a person regarded as important.

Senior Tracey Mertens attended Missouri Girl's State and learned to appreciate America and its flag.

After her experience, she developed a passion for collecting antique U.S. flags.

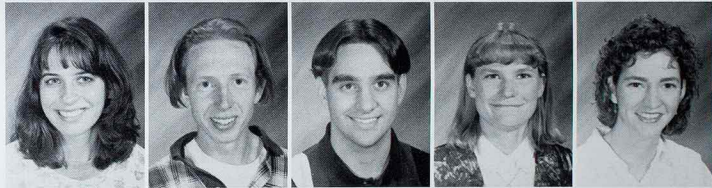
One of her antique flags was a 5 1/2 foot by 9 foot coffin flag which included the name of a soldier on it and a 46-star flag given to her by her dad.

"I want to find a 49-star [flag] because they were only made for six months," Mertens said. "They're really rare."

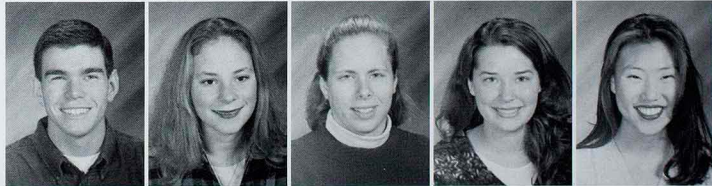
Truman students proved that as a child approached adulthood, the love of collecting never ended.

☆ Janine Hall ☆

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Josh Adams
Clinton Armstrong
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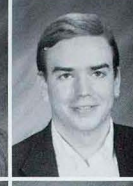




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Jenn Brogowski
Carol Burkhardt



Leslie Butler
Trisha Callicott
Katie Collier
Alyssa Conine
Stephanie Cooper



Amanda Cox
Shannon Cummins
Sara Dalman
Walter Dean
Iris DelRosario



John Denbo
Timothy Deveney
Jusonda DeRouen
Deanna Dieckmann
Paul Downing



Pez dispensers decorate the walls of senior Teresa McAlpine's apartment. Her collection began with a gift from her mother. Since then, it grew to include rare Pez dispensers and even costumes for the dispensers.

Senior Tracey Mertens does her homework amid her collection of antique U.S. flags. Among them was a coffin flag complete with the soldier's name. The flags varied in size and held an emotional attachment. (photos by Hemal Patel)

"If I study with music on, it has to be something instrumental. When I cram I go to the library."

Megan Hollingsworth
 ☆ Sophomore ☆

"I usually study late at night with the TV on and room-mates and pets running all around the house."

Laura Booth
 ☆ Junior ☆

Your Study Environment

Tranquil or Chaotic?

Janette Dumas
 Lilekha Fernando
 Elizabeth Filipowicz
 Tonya Fleming
 Jennifer Floyd
 Kelly Frey

Andrea Gervais
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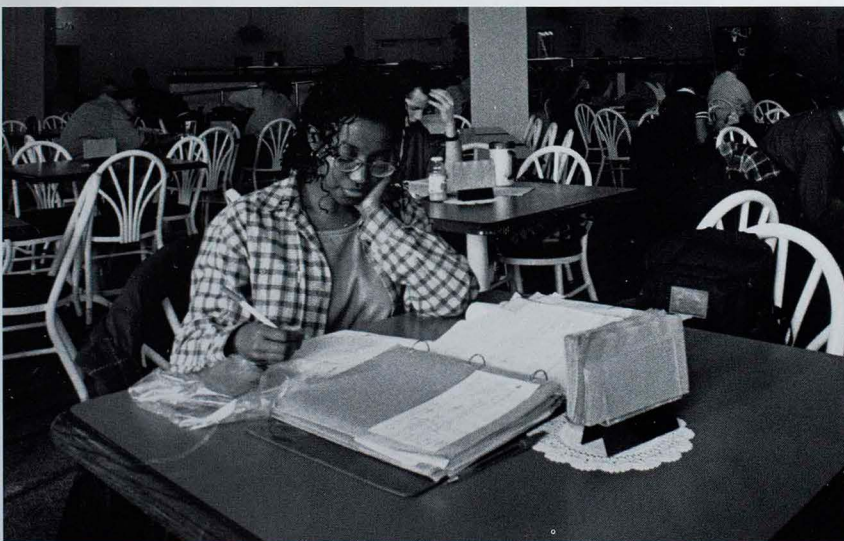


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Cheri Heiser

Christopher Henrich
Bernardo Hernandez
Kimberly Herweck
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Kevin Hollinger

Jennifer Horton
Debra Hunt
Bryan Huynh
Nao Inoue
Rebecca Jannin
Nicole Jennings

Emily Jentes
Christine Johnson
Kara Johnson
Summer Johnson
Josh Johnston
Kristin Juul



Procrastination brings junior Kim Harris to Mainstreet Market to study. While the cafeteria was not her usual study environment, Harris occasionally went there during the mornings if her homework was not done. However, many students considered the cafeteria a good place to study. Other students preferred the library or Quiet Lounge. (photo by Josh Adams)

Choosing To Be Branded For Life

When sophomore Lacey Pritchett got her navel pierced, her mother was just glad it wasn't a tattoo.

But unknown to Pritchett's mother, a tattoo of her astrological sign, Aries, adorned her left hip. On St. Patrick's Day 1997, Pritchett decided to head to Columbia, Mo., with a friend to get the tattoo.

"It's something I will always remember," Pritchett said. "I would definitely do it again."

Pritchett was far from alone in the body-art craze. From celebrity Dennis Rodman to Truman junior Belena Smith, many brave souls decided to take advantage of this trend. The trend included both tattoos and body piercings.

Some people got body art because it was simply something new to try, but for others it symbolized something meaningful.

The biggest debate in receiving a tattoo was whether they would regret it later in life.

"I had to find one [a tattoo] that I would be comfortable with for the rest of my life," Smith said. "I've never regretted my decision."

Along with the excitement of body art came many risk factors. Daun Hooley, student health center director, had several helpful tips to avoid setbacks that could possibly accompany tattoos or piercings.

The most common problem with body art was the possibility of infection as a result of the pierced or tattooed area. Hooley advised students against making the decision to get a tattoo while drunk, under the influence of drugs or as a result of peer pressure.

Hooley also recommended interviewing the artist to make

sure he or she was a knowledgeable professional. She also urged those thinking of receiving body art to think seriously about the effect it could have on future relationships with family, friends and employers.

"People need to especially consider getting tattoos or piercings on highly visible areas, such as the face, since a lot of body art is permanent," Hooley said. "This could affect prospective employers and relationships."

Whatever the reasons for body art, it still remained popular. Body art came a long way from anchor tattoos on sailors' forearms and the dangling pierced earrings of heavy metal bands. It was an art form that attracted people from all walks of life.

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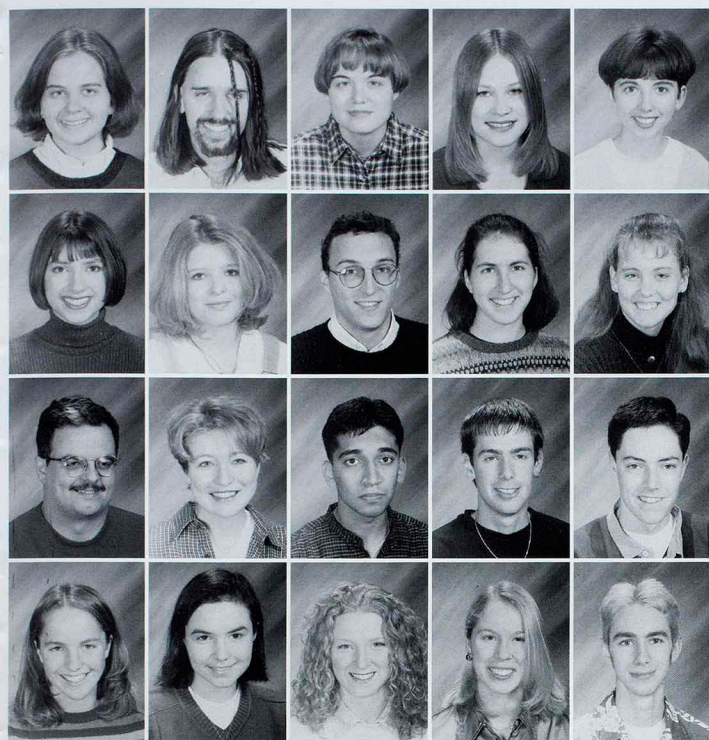


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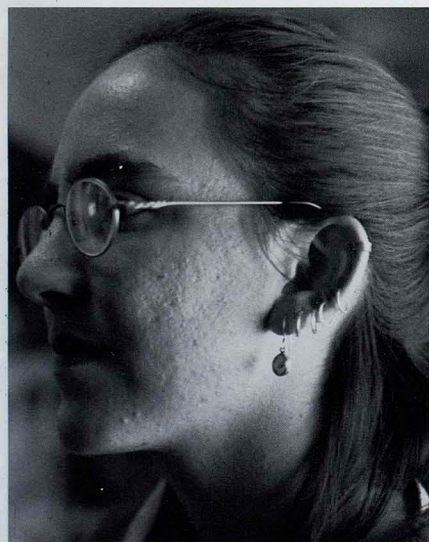


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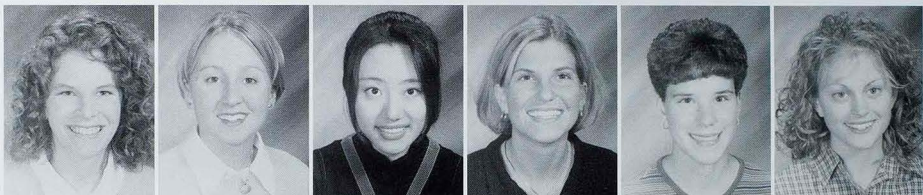
Sophomore Blake Thomas shows off her eccentric side while displaying the tattoo located on the small of her back. The Arabic writing under the flames of light on the tattoo, when translated, means goddess. Along with the tattoo, Thomas also had her tongue, navel and ears pierced.

Braving the pain of multiple stabbings, sophomore Emily Fortman had each of her ears pierced six times. Body art was a trend followed by both the men and women on campus. While tattoos were easier to hide from parents and potential employers, body piercing did not carry the guarantee of lasting a lifetime. (photos by Laura Klimpel)

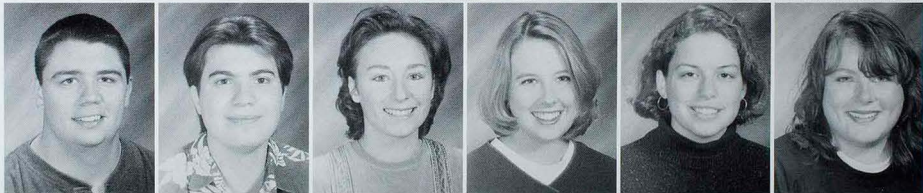
Showing off his moves, senior Harry Harris has a good time dancing with friends while spending time at Toons. The diverse interests and backgrounds of Truman students often influenced the way they chose to spend their nights and weekends. While some students preferred partying with large crowds and staying out until the early hours of the morning, others were content simply hanging out with a small group of friends. (photo by Diogo Vaz)



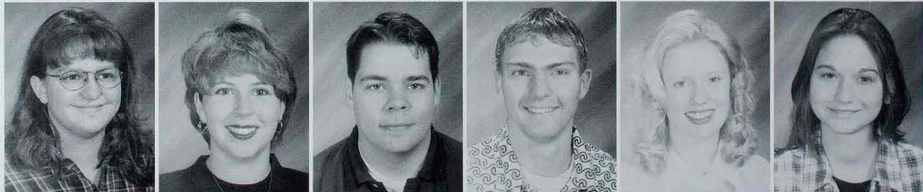
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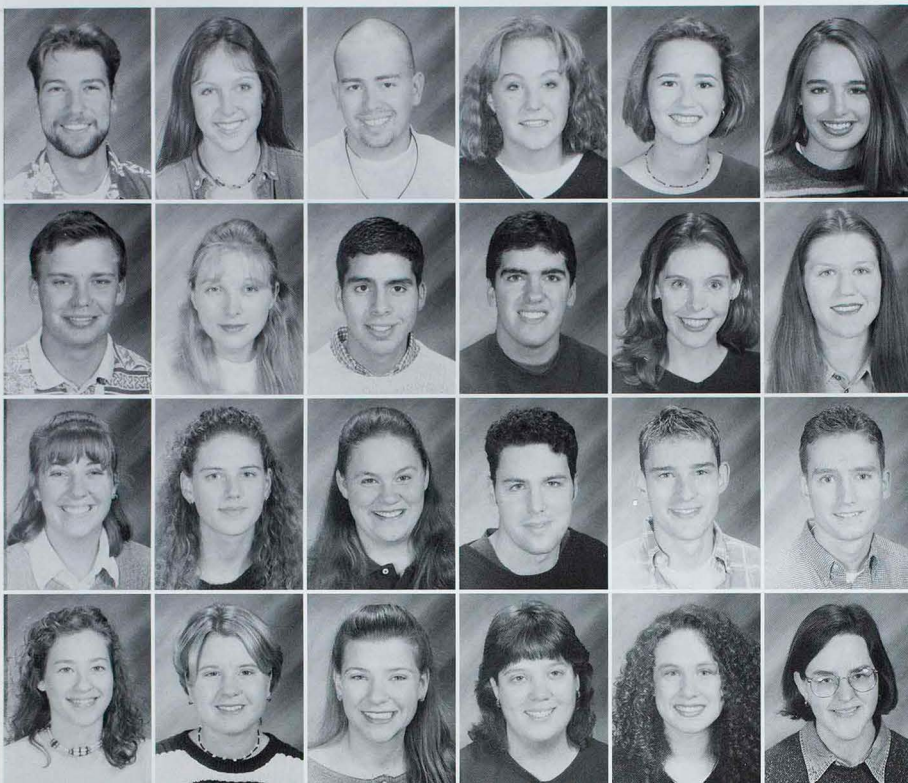


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Kerry Scott



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Kristen Sorensen
Jeffrey Spengemann





Matthew Spomer
Christina Straatmann
Timothy Suddarth
Erica Sule
Rebecca Svuba
Lindsay Switser

Jeremy Sykes
Amy Therrien
Daniel Thomann
Michael Thomas
Julia Tolliver
Christina Truesdale

Rachel Uttech
Beverly Vogt
Ellen Walz
Cary Wilson
Ryan Wilson
Mike Witt

Carrie Woodrum
Shelly Yaeger
Nicole Yanick
Holly Young
Melanie Yuracko
Emily Zesch

"When I go out, I just want to go somewhere that plays really good music so I can dance. I usually go to Toons because there's no where else for people under 21 to go, except for fraternity parties."

A.J. Black
★ Junior ★

Spending Your Time

*Just hanging out
or
Dancing it up*

"I enjoy going out to the bars because they are a great place to relax, hang out with friends and meet new people. My boyfriend and I enjoy playing pool and love the atmosphere. It's just fun."

Kim Runkles
★ Junior ★

Summer wasn't just a time to get a tan for most Truman students. Most students kept just as busy during the summer months as they did during the school year.

Senior Jamie Fry took classes during her summer in order to graduate a semester early.

Although the classes were much more in-

ted not having a full-time job in order to save more money.

"You make more money working somewhere else than working here while taking classes," senior Jason Conaway said.

Over the summer, Conaway did utility construction for GT at H-EPPS subcontracting. His summer job included putting in phone lines and digging ditches.

Although Conaway enjoyed working, he did not like the odd hours.

"We had to drive two and a half hours to the place where we were working,"

Conaway said. "We would get up at 2:30 a.m. to get to work by 7:30 a.m. and then work until 6:30 p.m."

Because Conaway chose to work during the summer, it took him an extra semester to graduate.

"I could have graduated in four years instead of being here for an extra semester next year," he said.

Not all students had demanding jobs such as Conaway. Truman

students could also be found working in banks, fast-food restaurants, newspaper offices and convenience stores.

Some students took the time to travel abroad. Junior Joy Wenger visited Alajuela, Costa Rica, for eight weeks.

She attended classes four hours a day and traveled on the weekends.

"We visited the Arenal volcano when it was erupting, rain forests, delivered supplies to an Indian reservation and went to the Embassy on the Fourth of July, where we were served free American food," Wenger said.

Wenger said her favorite part of the trip was meeting people and being part of a Costa Rican family.

"I realized what it was like to be a foreigner and learned to communicate in Spanish much better," she said.

Striving to learn as much as they could, many Truman students kept busy not only during the school year, but also during the summer.

☆ Heather Adams ☆

Working Overtime

tense, Fry believed it was easier to learn the material.

"It is easier to learn because you have class every day for two hours, for five weeks," Fry said.

Aside from taking classes, Fry worked at Dairy Queen and the Department of Public Safety.

Even though Fry was glad she took summer classes, she regret-

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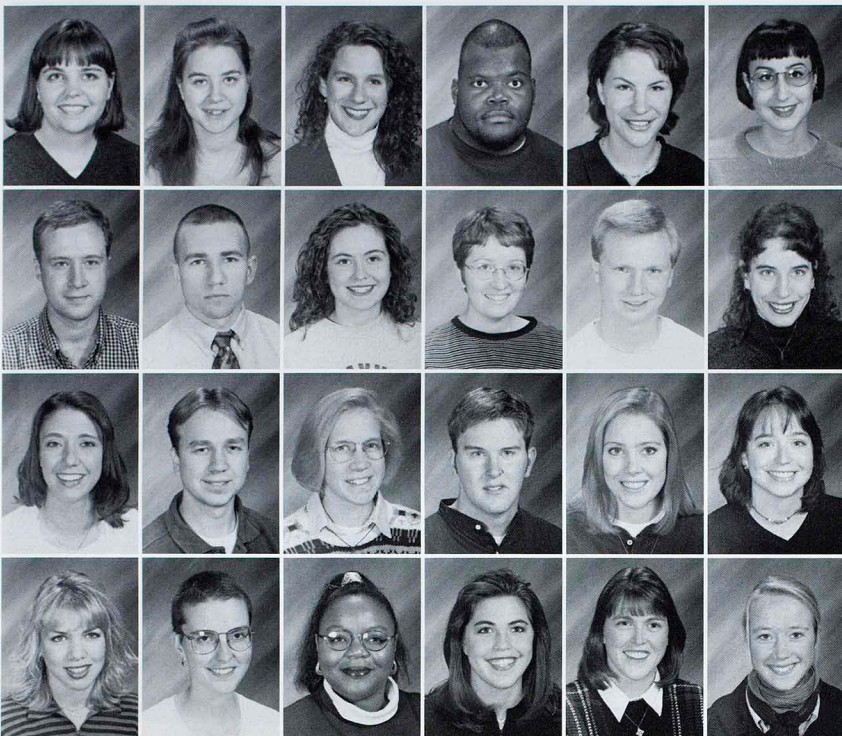


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Sara Braaf
Fabian Breland
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Christine Brooks

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Justin Chapell
Catherine Clamp
Chris Coffey
Bridgette Collins
Kathleen Cook

Damara Crist
Amanda Crowell
June Dandridge
Nicole Daniel
Erin Davis
Marie De Foucaud

I know what you did last summer

"I took two classes and worked as a receptionist at a doctor's office."

☆ Amy Sanders, senior

"I spent the whole summer looking forward to coming here (Truman) and the last week dreading it."

☆ Emily Stawar, freshman

"I spent 20 days traveling through Spain, Portugal and Morocco."

☆ Tina Anshus, freshman

"I took some road trips to different states and worked 14 weeks as a bike messenger."

☆ Jared Rogers, junior



Dissecting fetal pigs was just one of the methods graduate student Andy Mahon uses to teach Upward Bound students about biology. He also took the students to Thousand Hills State Park to collect water samples. During the 1997 summer session, Mahon also taught chemistry and physics. Other Truman students taught classes and worked as advisers in the residence halls. (photo submitted)

"I have always understood Homecoming to be an event which highlights campus talent and for a brief period, unites the student body behind the flag of their University, rather than the organizations they proudly claim to be in the rest of the year."

Lisa Kays
☆ Senior ☆

Homecoming

Who makes it
what it is?

"The only fault of the Greek community is that we have continued to consistently support Homecoming and other campus-sponsored events with little to no recognition for the significant contributions we make."

Shannon Hamilton
☆ Junior ☆

Amy DeHart
Sheryl Delgman
Evas Dusabe
Eric Eckert
Theresa Eggleston
Melissa Ehm-Pote



Leslie Engebretson
Brian Engel
Elisabeth Engel
Melissa Even
Curtis Fee
Tammy Fiscella



Scott Fleming
Courtney Folino
Jennifer Frankenberg
Carrie Fritsche
Tara Fuller
Staci Garvin





Kathleen Gawronski
 Andy Gensler
 Adrienne Gerke
 Candra Gill
 Jennifer Gooch
 Heather Grimes

Trisha Gunderson
 Carla Haas
 Heather Hackmann
 Sara Hannah
 Melissa Hanthorn
 Damon Hays

Tamara Hechst
 Rachel Heidbreder
 Kristin Helke
 Aimee Hellweg
 Kenneth Hendricks
 Jason Herbig

Stacey Hildebrandt
 Cheryl Hindrichs
 Stephanie Hoffman
 Karmen Holdinghausen
 Kevin Hough
 Particia Hutchison



Members of Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority and Alpha Kappa Lambda social fraternity show their school spirit while participating in the Homecoming Parade. Different organizations on campus invested a large amount of time and money into the parade as well as the campus-wide events. Various organizations sponsored the different events that took place during Homecoming Week and eventually determined the winner of the Chairman's Cup. (photo by Tina Patel)

While some students thought they had wild neighbors, others knew what it was really like to live with animals.

Many students were oblivious to the fact that the University owned a farm, but five students made it their home.

Officially part of campus, the University Farm was located on L a H a r p e Street,

farm manager. He checked on the students twice a day and assisted them when problems arose. In addition, he was in charge of the budget and public relations.

"The most difficult part is getting up at 6 a.m. in the bitter cold to do chores, but actually it isn't really that bad," senior Tracy Snider said.

Students had to be either an agricultural science major or minor in order to live at the farm. In addition, farm residents had to prove they had the ability and interest to perform the jobs required while living at the farm.

While students did not have to pay rent to live at the farm, they were required to complete at least nine hours of work per week.

Chores consisted of feeding and watering the animals, breaking the ice in water containers during the winter, checking and counting the animals, repairing and building fences and overall general maintenance.

A farm crew, which consisted

of students not living on the farm, also helped with farm maintenance and other projects throughout the year.

Having grown up on a farm, Snider enjoyed the chance to live on the University Farm.

"I felt that it was the best way to get back to the farm while going to school," Snider said.

Junior Darci German moved into the farm duplex because of her already frequent visits as part of the equestrian team.

During the 1997-98 school year, only women lived in the farm's duplex, although male residents had lived at the farm in the past.

"You know everything that is going on [with the farm] and it is a great experience to be able to live and work with something that you enjoy," Snider said.

The students believed working on the farm was worth the experience.

"It is important that students know it's [the University Farm] out there because it is a great learning opportunity," German said.

☆Heather Adams☆

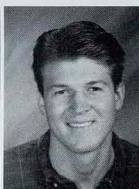
Down On The Farm

near the west end of Kirksville.

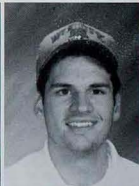
During the planting seasons, students grew corn and soybeans. Throughout the year, they took care of cattle and horses for both riding and breeding.

Charley Apter, assistant professor of equine science, was the

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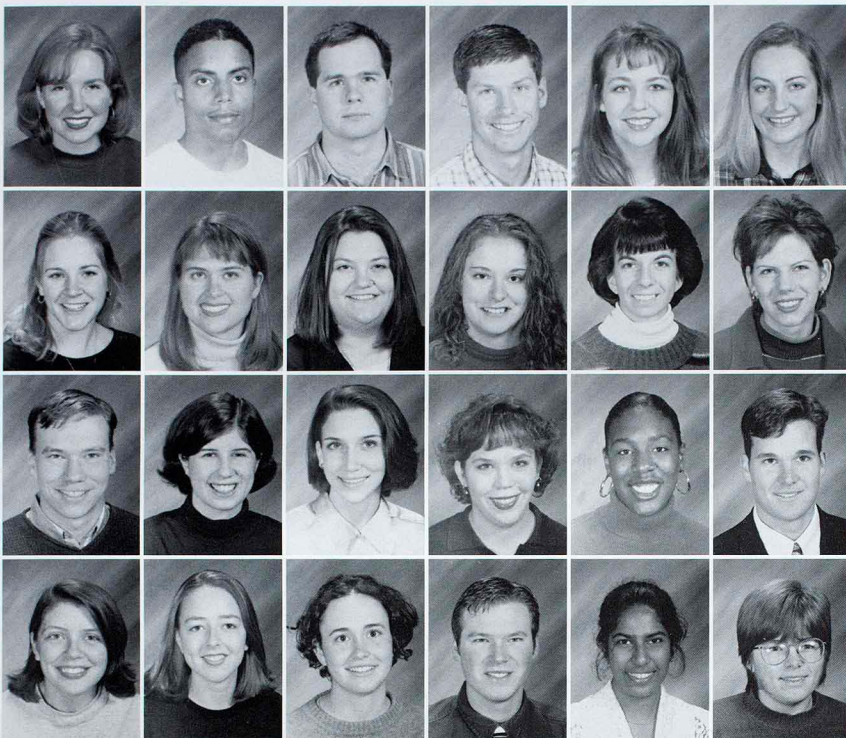


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Patrick Kozemski





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Theo Lacey
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Jennifer McDavid
Jeff Melching

Liza Mendenhall
Laura Metz
Jennifer Meyer
Lance Meyer
Samila Mihindukulasuri
Amanda Mincemeyer

The Truman Farm...

...occupied 130 acres of land.

...held 4-H clinics where youths were given riding lessons.

...had a cattle barn, feed lot, rotation pasture system, indoor multi-purpose building and chute system.

...had approximately 30 head of cattle.

...housed a cow with a hole in its side that was used for educational purposes.

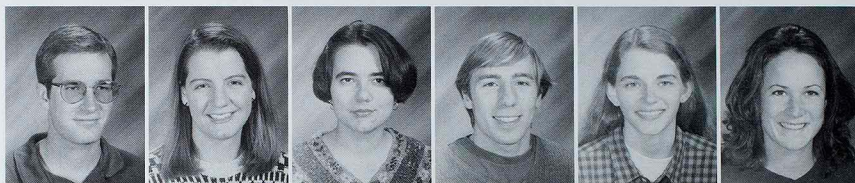


Feeding the horses was one of the jobs junior Heather Mannix performed as part of her duties as a farm resident. The farm offered students majoring in agriculture and other sciences a chance to gain hands-on experience. It also taught students the responsibilities that came along with farm life. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

After cheering loudly at the men's basketball game, junior Shawwna Dean takes a drink of Bulldogua to quench her thirst. Bulldogua was Truman's bottled water and carried the slogan, "Spike your thirst for knowledge." It was sold at sporting events, in local convenience stores and in the Truman Bookstore. Bulldogua sold for 69 cents a bottle and 5 percent of the profits benefited University scholarships. (photo by Chandra Lim)



Sean Moenkhoff
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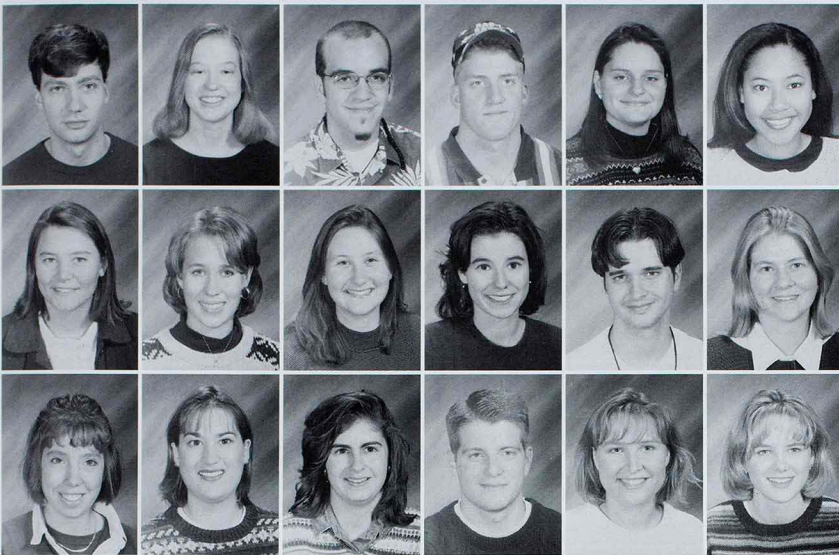


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Amy Peterson
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*"I don't see it being
around for a long time.
I would
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to the drink-
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than to pay
for water."*

Jennifer Sutterer
★ Senior ★

Bulldogua:
The new
Evian?

*"I like the idea. Our
whole society is into
working out,
and the whole
working out
drinking wa-
ter thing goes
hand in hand."*

Trisha Gunderson
★ Senior ★

It was all about getting to listen to music for two or more hours straight and knowing that someone would listen to whatever you had to say.

This was what KTRM disc jockeys enjoyed doing weekly. After 26 years of working toward a transmitter, KTRM finally went on the air Feb. 10.

Taking Requests

"I think we made the transition really well," chief announcer

and sports director Laura Marlin said. "There's going to be kinks to work out, but that's expected."

Formerly known as KNEU, Truman's radio station played alternative style music, or college rock. Reaching most of Adair county, the station was broadcast daily on 88.7 FM from 2 p.m. to midnight.

KTRM, The Edge, employed 50 DJs who had regular format and specialty shows. Thirty DJs were certified to go on the air, while the other 20 DJs were students who were taking Radio Broadcasting. Specialty shows included disco, industrial techno, hip-hop, rhythm and blues, sports chat and 80s retro.

Junior Matt Hale and senior Harry Harris held a two-hour shift on Mondays, but were allowed to drift away from the regular format. They had also had a shift in the past semester, before the station went on-air.

"We have more people call in now and request songs," Hale said. "It's kind of cool because you know more people are out there listening to you."

Not every DJ participated in the radio class because of a future career. Senior psychology major Matt Jacobs took the class because it sounded like an interesting elective before graduation.

"I found it interesting and it's a fun class," Jacobs said. "It's pretty exciting [to be on the air] since

they've been working hard for a long time for this."

Marlin had four years of radio experience before working at KTRM. She enjoyed radio because of the many aspects.

"I hope all the DJs are doing it for fun," Marlin said. "I'm sure most of them won't do it for a career, but I'm sure having the experience will help them in the future."

Selecting the DJs that would be on the air was a hard decision for the KTRM staff. A DJ was not required to have taken the radio class, but it was recommended.

"I can't name a single person that doesn't deserve to be on the air," Marlin said.

With a lot of hard work and a dedicated staff, KTRM went down in Truman State University's history book during the 1997-98 academic year. In addition to the community's excitement to finally having an alternative station to listen to, the DJs had fun serving all of their listeners.

"We just want to get our swerve on!" Hale said.

☆ Jill Snitker ☆

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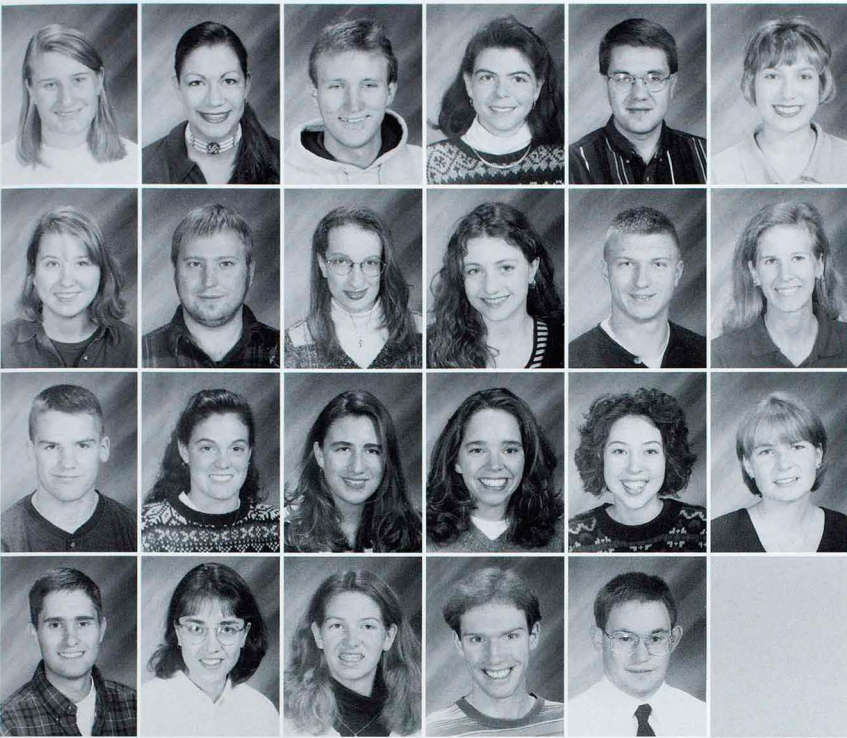


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Heidy Williford
Becky Winfrey
Deena Wiss

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Lori Woehrer
June Wright
Brian Yochim
Douglas Zahnd

KTRM, The Edge...

*...first spread across the airwaves
Feb. 10 at 2 p.m.*

...employed 30 on-air student DJs.

*...played a variety of music from
jazz to alternative rock.*

*...featured play-by-play action of
several Truman sports.*

*...could be heard on the radio at
88.7 FM or on television channel
36.*



Talking loud and clear, senior Matt Goyer announces the next song to be played during his shift on KTRM. Like most DJs, Goyer volunteered his time to the radio station just because he enjoyed the work. Students who took the radio class held their shifts during the day, while more experienced DJs had their shifts in the afternoon when KTRM was officially on the air. (photo by Nao Inoue)

MAE

In Action

Some students spent additional time in the classroom learning what it was like on the other side of the desk.

Graduate students seeking a Master of Arts in Education degree were required to complete a great deal of classroom experience in order to earn their degree.

Before being accepted into the MAE program, students had to complete 55 hours of early field experience. These hours were spent in elementary, high school and special education classrooms. Most students completed these hours during their freshman and sophomore years and arranged them on their own time.

The intent of early field experience was able to allow students to observe a variety of classroom situations. Many students were able to determine their concentration due to these hours in the classroom.

Senior Heather Hackmann thought this time in the classroom was important in her decision to become a teacher.

"It was a great opportunity to interact with students," Hackmann said. "It helps you understand how students learn."

Usually during their junior year, pre-education students took Clinical Experiences in Teaching. The 55 hours of early field experience were a prerequisite to the class.

The clinical experience required students to complete 45 hours in a classroom in the Kirksville area. These hours were more than observation time. Students assisted teachers with classroom activities, such as grading papers, preparing worksheets and creating lesson plans.

Some students thought the experience allowed them to use the information they gained in their classes.

"It gives you the opportunity to apply the theories that

you know," Hackmann said.

Before students completed their internship, they completed a practicum in Management of Instruction.

Graduate student Ben Corley taught an English class for a week at Kirksville High School. He said this experience, in addition to previous time in schools, taught him how to deal with students in different situations.

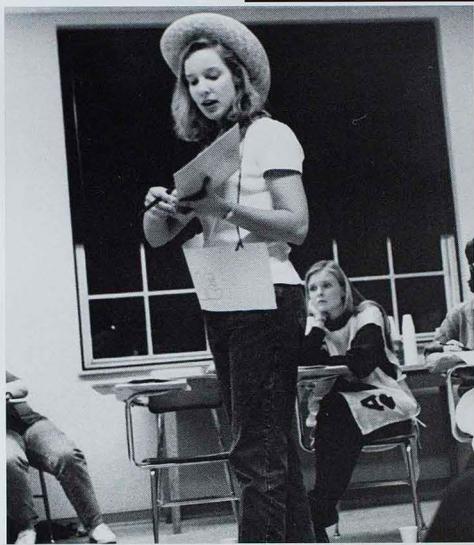
"You realize you have to develop your own philosophies, ideologies and approaches to things," Corley said. "There is no set formula for the perfect teacher in terms of classroom management."

Once students were accepted into the MAE program as graduate students, they had the opportunity to teach a class.

MAE students had three options for their internship. They could work with a mentor for a semester without pay; do a full-year paid internship, or serve as a teacher's aide for a full year for less than full salary.

Kay Clapp, associate professor of education, said students' experiences in teaching situations prepared them for a variety of students and situations.

"The composition of the students in the classroom are often very different from what students experienced in their classrooms in



Dressed in a costume, graduate student Kim Oelschlaeger makes a presentation about cultural diversity in her education class. The group also addressed problems that could occur in the classroom due to demographics, lack of parental involvement and different learning strategies. Education majors were offered many opportunities for hands-on learning both in and out of the University classroom setting.

school," Clapp said.

Graduate student Teri Fields, who completed her internship in the spring teaching fifth grade at Ray Miller elementary school, felt that her classes helped prepare her for the experience.

"To actually go into the public school and use this knowledge is a great experience," Fields said.

☆ Jennifer Odefey ☆



Dana Fee
Gina LaFata
Aaron Manfull

Playing a multi-cultural math game, graduate students Gerianne Zinselmeyer, Tara Fuller, Shawanna Gillette, Kathy Flynn and Kathy Forck take part in a class presentation. Members of the class were responsible for making appropriate lesson plans that addressed different cultures equally. Pre-MAE students began making observations in classroom settings as early as their freshman year and continued receiving hands-on training until graduation when they entered the work force as teachers. (photos by Cheri Heiser)



"You realize you have to develop your own philosophies, ideologies and approaches to things. There is no set formula for the perfect teacher in terms of classroom management."

Ben Corley
★ Graduate student ★

Married

Professors

Some faculty members really took their work home with them.

Many Truman faculty and staff members were married to one another. This combination of marriage and work had its advantages and disadvantages.

Adam Davis, professor of English, and Andrea Davis, instructor of French and German, worked alongside each other in the Division of Language and Literature for five years. Andrea Davis said there were several benefits to being her husband's colleague, such as carpooling if one car broke down and meeting for lunch together.

"It's nice to not have to make phone calls all the time," Andrea Davis said. "We can just walk to each other's office."

She also said working with her husband made it easier to plan functions. Adam Davis agreed and said working with his wife made him enjoy his job more.

Beyond working in the same division, some faculty members worked in the same field.

Marijke Breuning, assistant professor of political science, said working with her husband, John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, allowed them to understand each other's work. They tried to plan their lunches together so they could go home to walk their dog.

Breuning said that although they had similar jobs, they worked separately.

"We do our jobs individually," Breuning said. "It's not like we are always working together."

Sherri and Terry Palmer, associate professors of psychology, also worked in the same field. They had worked at Truman together for six years, and they had worked as

graduate teaching assistants together for several years. Sherri Palmer said working so closely together allowed them to relate to what each other was going through.

She also said there were disadvantages. Mail and phone calls were often confused.

"When people call us at home and ask for Dr. Palmer, you always have to ask 'which one,'" Sherri Palmer said.

Chett Breed, associate professor of English, and Suanna Breed, instructor of art, said being colleagues was beneficial. Although they worked in different divisions, they talked about teaching at home, discussed lecture ideas and asked for each other's opinions.

"Working with my wife is like taking a course with a good friend," Chett Breed said. "You enjoy it a lot more."

Suanna Breed said that she enjoyed being in the same building with her husband and going to work with him. Both said they enjoyed having some of the same students in their classes.

Patrick Lobert, associate professor of French, and Bertha Thomas, assistant to the director of the McNair Program, had worked together for five years. Lobert said that while they did not see a lot of each other on

campus, they talked about work at home and shared a common interest in the University and the lives of students.

The majority of faculty that were married to each other seemed to like working with their spouse. They all said that having lunch together and discussing work at home was beneficial.

☆ Julia Pankiewicz ☆



Walking their dog was just one of the things that Marijke Breuning, assistant professor of political science, and John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, did together. Married professors were a common sight on the Truman campus. (photo by Tina Patel)



Donna Bailey
Russell Baughman
Jack Bowen
Clyde Cody
Royce Cook
Mona Davis

Kathy Elsea
Maxine Fawcett-Yeske
Jerry Findling
David Fortney
David Gillette
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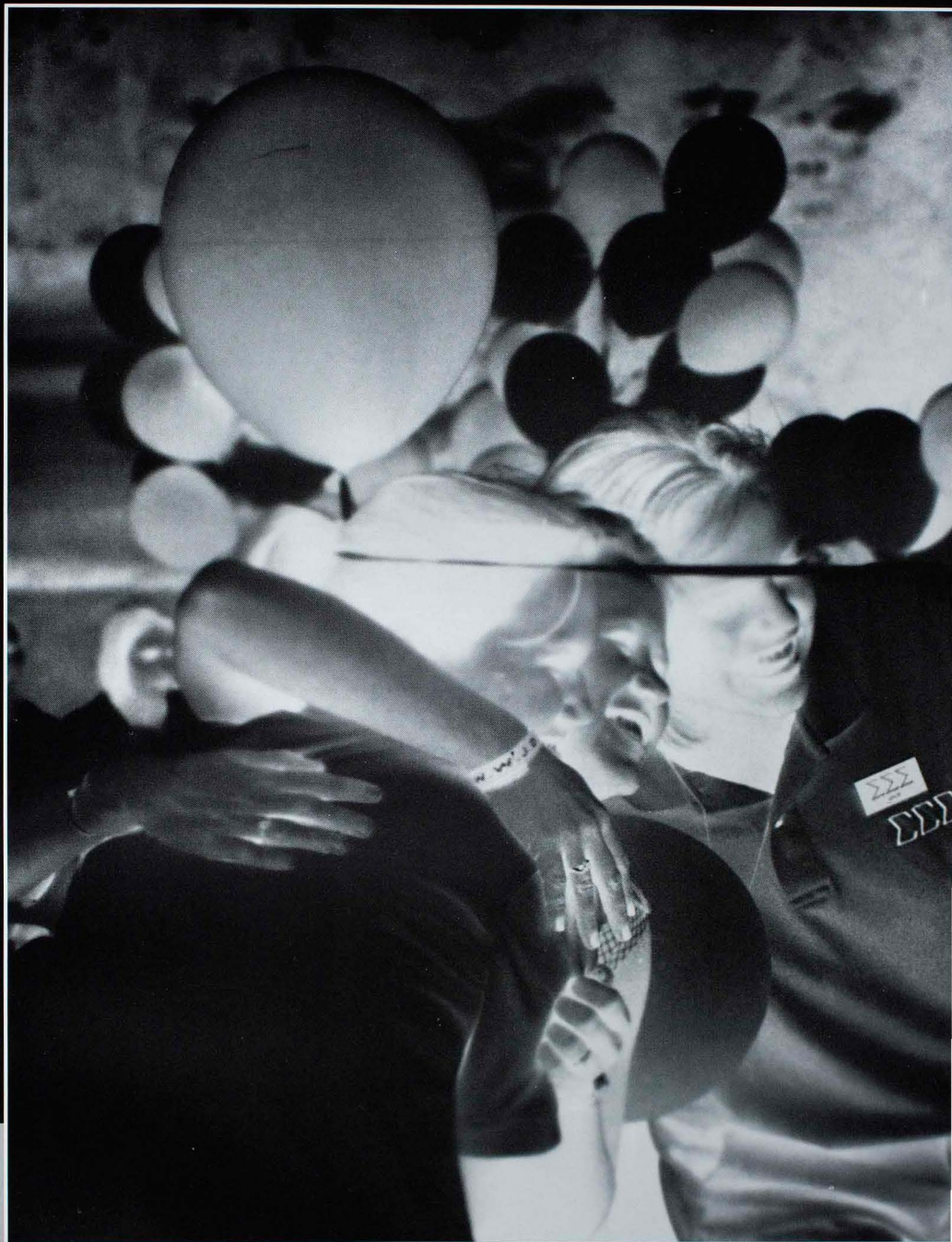
Robert Graber
David Hoffman
Barbara Holthaus
Deanna Hunsaker
Ronald Lave
Verona Nichols

Robin Pillen
Joanna Rivard
Gregg Siewert
JoAnn Weekley
Richard Weerts
LeAnn Yantis



Taking a minute out of their busy day to talk, Patrick Lobert, associate professor of French, and his wife, Bertha Thomas, assistant to the director of the McNair Program, enjoyed that their offices were only walking distance apart. Spending free time together was one of the perks enjoyed by married professors who worked at Truman. Not all married professors had the time to see each other during the day, but working for the same university gave them many things to talk about when they were together. (photo by Josh Adams)

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CHOOSE...

College was more than just studying and academics. With more than 6,000 students living together in a close community, each one of us needed the chance to develop our own interests. At Truman, we had the chance to choose from hundreds of organizations to meet our needs for a sense of belonging. Usually there was a group for everyone, whether it be honorary, Greek, service, musical, residential, special interest, student government, media, professional or religious. Many times it was our fellow group members that kept us coming back. Other times, it was the organization's cause that drew our hearts close to the group. Beyond just meetings, we participated in many fund raisers, activities and service events to support the community. The friends we made within our organizations became an important part of our years at Truman and in our futures. This year was just one of the building blocks to each of our organization's future identity. The many hours spent together were not lost or forgotten as we carried the memories in our minds forever.

your interest

Organizations

VOICES

sing
out . . .

The education that Truman students received often went beyond the boundaries of Kirksville, sometimes even reaching across the oceans.

Cantoria, Truman's select choir, traveled to Bulgaria in May 1997, to perform concerts and tour the country.

Paul Crabb, associate professor of music, took 20 students on the two-week trip.

"We decided to go to Bulgaria because the country has a rich musical history," Crabb said.

Cantoria performed seven concerts. To prepare for this, the group took a Bulgarian class and rehearsed before they left America.

While in Bulgaria, the group performed at places such as community centers, a professional cultural center and educational institutions.

Cantoria centralized its trip around one city, Plovdiv, but still fully experienced the Bulgarian culture.

"The group was able to sing in an old Bulgarian art museum, in old Bulgarian churches that were built with acoustics appropriate for choral singing and among

ancient Bulgarian ruins," Crabb said.

Singing became a way of life for the traveling students.

"We sang in restaurants and in the



While performing at a Bulgarian art museum, Cantoria displays its talents to an international audience. To prepare for the tour, students took a Bulgarian class and rehearsed regularly. (photo submitted)

airport to kill time," sophomore Casey Morris said.

Senior Tim Dial also enjoyed the opportunity to listen to other musical groups in Bulgaria.

"We got to see a Bulgarian women's choir and a Bulgarian dance group perform," Dial said. "There was also a live band in our hotel that played American songs such as 'Lemontree' and the 'Limbo.'"

Morris noticed the differences between American and Bulgarian music.

"Their music is so different, as far as how it is written," he said. "It was so interesting to see."

Morris also enjoyed the contact with the Bulgarian residents.

"Everywhere we went, we met new people," he said. "They were all so welcoming and open toward us."

Sophomore Shelly Jones saw many similarities between the Bulgarian and American cultures.

"A lot of people think they're a lot different than us, but they aren't," Jones said. "The children we met were very similar to American children."

The members of Cantoria came back with a new aspect to their educational experiences at Truman.

... by Janine Hall

Taking time out to relax from their performances in Bulgaria, the students in Cantoria tour the country. Bulgaria was chosen for the tour because of its interesting and well-known musical history. The group also took time to visit monasteries, villages and historical sites. (photos submitted)



PEOPLE

give
back. . .

Holding her breath, junior Andrea Mueller watches her bowling ball roll down the lane in hopes of a strike. The Alpha Sigma Gamma Bowl-a-Thon was a way for the entire community to get involved and have fun, but still support charities at the same time. As ASG doubled in size, it hoped to provide even more service to the campus and community. The only problem with growing so quickly was that it was hard to find space for meetings and enough service events for all the members. (photo by Laura Myers)



Serving the community was a popular pastime.

Service organizations Alpha Sigma Gamma and Alpha Phi Omega both had boosts in their memberships. Neither organization conducted a selective rush.

Alpha Sigma Gamma more than doubled its size this fall by taking its largest pledge class ever of 82 members.

Alpha Sigma Gamma rush coordinator Joslyn Mathis focused on the sorority's ability to serve the community better.

"We're going to get so much more accomplished," she said. "Meetings are kind of tough. It gets loud, but people quiet down eventually."

Alpha Phi Omega grew to nearly 200 members this fall after taking a pledge class of 77 men and women. Even though this was Alpha Phi Omega's 70th year on campus, it had never had that many members before.

Alpha Phi Omega president Carl Appel agreed with Mathis on the many services that the fraternity could accomplish.

"The turnout of a large pledge class is great because it allowed us to also have large turnouts at service events," Appel said.

Alpha Phi Omega members were required to serve 20 philanthropic hours per semester. The hours were met by indi-

vidually seeking out service opportunities such as visiting a nursing home and by attending larger events. The large pledge classes made it harder to find extra service projects.

"The only downfall with having so

many members was that it was harder to find space for meetings and enough service events for all the members. (photo by Laura Myers)

pledge class of around 25 members. It chose to stay small in order to promote closeness among its members and better organization.

"Within a larger group I think it's harder to make decisions because you can't get together to do it," Tau Lambda Sigma member Jeannette Ritchkey said. "I think it helps to have a smaller organization. A larger organization sometimes gets out of control."

The larger organizations strived to maintain the closeness within the groups.

"Some activities have left because we were getting so big and they were not able to get to know girls," Mathis said. "This year we've been doing more sisterhood activities. It's our [activities] responsibility to learn names and get to know the pledges."

Though some disorganization may have occurred, the main purpose behind the organization's actions was not lost.

"I am really excited by our turnout," Mathis said. "We weren't really prepared for such a huge pledge class, but it's great to see so many people interested in helping the community."

... by Meredith Allee



Sophomore James Roach swings his partner to "Cotton-Eyed Joe" during the Homecoming lip sync competition. As a large organization, members made time for fun as well as service. (photo by Josh Adams)

many members is that we're having to turn some members away from projects that only require small participation," Appel said.

On the other hand, Tau Lambda Sigma, also a service sorority on campus, held a selective rush. The sorority took a fall

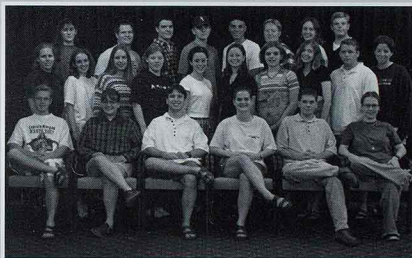
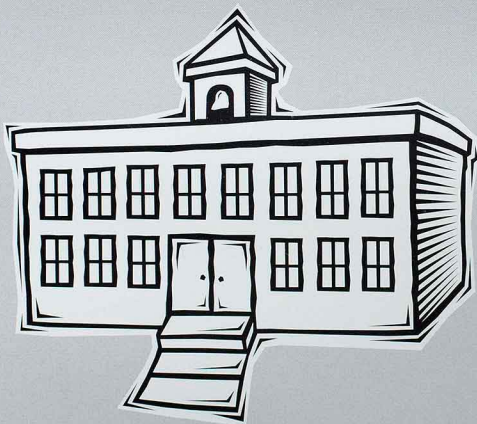
Students take a chance at throwing a ball through a hanging tire at the CHOICE and Dobson Hall Fall Carnival.

This activity was just one of the many events at the carnival held on the Quad Sept. 27.

The carnival helped to promote unity and spirit between the residence halls. (photo by Tina Patel)



Each year on Halloween, CHANL offers residents the opportunity to provide area children with another place to trick-or-treat. Residents were asked to participate on a voluntary basis between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Other residents were asked to escort groups of trick-or-treaters and their parents from hall to hall and through each building. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Blanton / Naxon Hall Senate

Row 1: Shawn Benson, Stephanie Rowe, Matt Fernandez-treasurer, Heather Boehmer-president, Tim O'Neil-vice president, Jennifer Wrightam. Row 2: Jennifer Baumann, Ann Wienke, Lisa Muldoon, Kisha Stegall, Jen Frei, Amy Bauer, Deborah Hengtgen, Brie Hawley, Jim Howard, Amy Holbo-senate adviser. Row 3: Melanie Freidline, Joe Rakstad, Matthew Nicoletta, Kirk Kasicki, Mike Brewer, Jason Saucier, Anne Rendle, William E. Barfield III.

University organizations were invited to decorate a square for the street graffiti contest during Homecoming. The Blanton/Nason Senate produced this artwork for its entry. The seven dwarfs helped Blanton-Nason Senate capture first place in the event. (photo by Josh Adams)



... A DIFFERENT KIND OF COMMUNITY

through residential living.

Blanton/Nason Hall Senate

Blanton/Nason Senate was a big contender each year in the CHANL Olympics. It sponsored a formal each year for its residents, sometimes joining together with Dobson Hall Senate. The group also sponsored an all-night volleyball tournament called Night Spike. Blanton/Nason Senate received first place in the sidewalk graffiti contest during Homecoming.

CHANCE-

College, Hall, Apartment Network of Leaders

CHANL sponsored activities throughout the year to bring students living on-campus together as representatives of their residences. The 35-member group organized and sponsored a trick-or-treat event through the halls. They also held the student adviser apprecia-

tion dance, which honored student advisers. Each year all the halls were involved in a week-long war, the Spring Olympics, which included many different competitions.

CHOICE-

Centennial Hall Senate

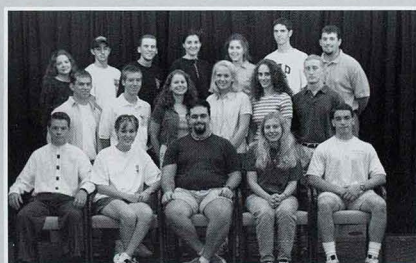
Centennial Hall Offers Ideas, Community and Encouragement was the working senate committee for Centennial Hall. Each year, CHOICE co-sponsored a carnival on the quad with Dobson Hall Senate. It held Halloween and Christmas decorating contests within its halls and sponsored a formal each year for its residents. A casino night was held in the spring. The group planted a tree behind Centennial Hall. CHOICE's main goal was to offer activities for the hall and to provide clean, safe fun for its residents.

CHANCE



Row 1: Carrie Foiles-director of internal affairs and public relations, Joy Morrissey-national communications coordinator, Dave Unger-treasurer, Emily Zesch-secretary, Tracie Lynn Adams-vice president, Josh Johnston-president. **Row 2:** Katie Reuther, Lisa Muldoon, Sarah Hickey, Sharla George, Jennifer Moore, Julie Merrell, Anna Spreitzer, Christy Paine. **Row 3:** Charlie Hinderlitter, Deborah Hengtgen, Mandy Peters, Mike Brewer, Brian Stremlau, Karin Wirsig, Anne Rundle, Graham Cridland-facilities and policies director.

CHOICE



Row 1: John Sanders-president, Beth Feldmann-secretary, Bryan Bebb-vice president, Amy Therrien-social programmer, Ben Anderson-traffic. **Row 2:** Jeff Thomas, Terry Weber, Kathleen Blackburn, Krista Steinkamp, Lena Hartley, Dave Pagano. **Row 3:** Sarah Hickey-adviser, Brian Coles, Paul Schmitz, Rose Lenk, Karin Wirsig-CHANL representative, Ryan Rossiter, Jonathan Hile-adviser.

through residential living.

Dobson Hall Senate was comprised of 30 residents. Its most prominent activities included sponsoring two bandfests. In the fall, it sponsored Dobson Hall Late Night, and in the spring, Squirrelfest. Each year it joined together with Ryle Hall for a formal. The senate won the CHANL Olympics in 1997 and received Honorable Mention for Senate of the Year.

The 64 residents of E.C. Grim Hall also served as the members of Grim Senate. The senate met weekly and gave awards of congratulations and appreciation. Grim Senate sponsored a fall car wash, an all-hall Thanksgiving dinner, a spring formal, movie nights and participated in the Ryle Christmas Market. Because E.C. Grim was the international residence hall, the senate promoted different cultures through international movie and music nights.

The Missouri Association Governing Intrahall Cooperation served as the senate for Missouri Residential Colleges. It supported a number of philanthropies by sponsoring a haunted house for the Rape Crisis Center and a dance in November to benefit the Salvation Army. Magic held its first formal in the spring and was awarded third place in the small division category during Homecoming.

Ryle Hall Senate took pride in sponsoring the Ms. All That Pageant. The group joined in Homecoming activities and sponsored the Homecoming bonfire. It teamed up with Dobson Hall for an annual formal. The 30 members of the senate were elected by their respective houses. The group's goal was to bring Ryle together to make living in an all-women's residence hall fun. It was evident that it was able to combine fun with success when it won Senate of the Year in 1996 and 1997.



The Homecoming bonfire sponsored by Ryle Hall Senate lights up the evening sky. The bonfire provided an opportunity to warm up against the chilly night, listen to the band play and roast marshmallows. The women of Ryle annually sponsored the bonfire. Ryle Senate also sponsored junior Bekka Meyer for Homecoming Queen. (photos by Josh Adams)

Dobson Hall Senate



Row 1: Sam Smith-fundraising coordinator, Eric Davisson-vice president, Melida Sanderson-president, Stacy Weilbacher-secretary, Pamela Dangremond-treasurer. **Row 2:** Melissa Sitz-CHANL rep, Tina Anshus, Angie Ingraham, Merina Foster, Jennifer Brann, Heather Eklund, Erica Oborny, Jeremy Johnson-CHANL rep.

E.C. Grim Hall Government



Row 1: Rosalie Chen-vice president, Amy Persell-adviser, Adrienne Smith-president, Alin Covrig-CHANL rep, Danette Rardon-treasurer. **Row 2:** Sana Qalbani-CHANL rep, Jim Bonucchi-student adviser, Jill Hollister-secretary, Chris Mobley-historian, Eric DeLauter-CHANL rep, Jason Brewer-CHANL

Ray Hall Senate



Row 1: Nathan Personett-activities director, Mark Nölker-treasurer, Graham Cridland-president, Robert Muller-executive secretary, Kevin Spooner-executive CHANL rep. **Row 2:** Joshua Lenon-staff assistant, Charlie Hinderliter-CHANL rep, Anna Spreitzer-CHANL rep, Priscilla Hostman, Carla Haas, Gale Adair, Becky Byers, Kristi Goldsmith, Jocelyn Diehl.

Ryle Hall Senate



Row 1: Jessica McVeigh-secretary, Sara Denny-vice president, Angie Compton-president, Brandy Bonnell-treasurer, Katie Reuther-CIA, Alicia Hopper-historian. **Row 2:** Sarah Dunning, Marjorie Iwai, Nicole Rybold, Gina Rotert, Katie Albers, Elizabeth Lind, Melissa Reese, Julie Merrell. **Row 3:** Amy Weinberger, Mandy Peters, Sharla George, Suzanne Lesinger, Sarah Wienke.



The CHOICE and Dobson Hall Fall Carnival had something for everyone. Games of skill and blind luck led to prizes of goldfish, food and toys. Face painting and a putting course held the interest of many students taking a study break. (photo by Tina Patel)

...TO HELP YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

through a service organization.

Alpha Phi Omega

Alpha Phi Omega was a national coed honor fraternity that celebrated 70 years at Truman in 1997. The organization was founded nationally on the principles of the Boy Scouts of America. The Epsilon chapter took a large pledge class in the fall to increase its membership to 180 members.

The fraternity's main focus was on service. Each member was required to complete 20 service hours each semester. Each semester, APO helped clean Camp Thunderbird in Moberly, Mo. They also sponsored American Red Cross Blood Drives on campus. Members of Alpha Phi Omega regularly visited Twin Pines nursing home and the Humane Society of Kirksville.

In addition to completing a great deal of service, the group's large num-

bers allowed the men and women of Alpha Phi Omega to be a competitive and recognized organization on campus. Alpha Phi Omega was named the Best Organization on Campus in 1997, earned the title of fall intramural champions and won "Best Service Project" in the region.

Alpha Phi Omega members competed in Homecoming Week activities. It sponsored the Spades Tournament and participated in other events. APO competitive edge allowed it to place third in lip sync and first in the banner competitions.

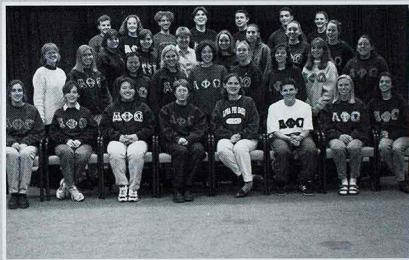
The second semester rush season was unpublicized because it took a large fall pledge class. With its expanded membership, APO wanted to accumulate 4,000 hours of service second semester.

A concerned student helps the community by donating blood at the Alpha Phi Omega-sponsored Red Cross blood drive. The blood drive was one of the group's major service projects on campus. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Alpha Phi Omega

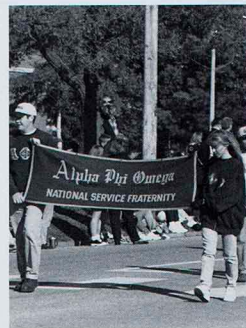
Row 1: Ryan Wilson, Rebekah Oehring, Amanda Bowles-fundraising chair, Michelle McCarty, Carl Appel-president, Timothy Deveney, Shannon McCarty, Anne Chopin-treasurer. **Row 2:** Melissa Wilson-pledge class president, Natasha Hernandez, Kristin Juul, Alyssa Conine-public relations, Meggan Bayer, Amy Wieseler, Stacey Erkleitman-adviser, Jennifer Jorns, Catherine Pezold. **Row 3:** Bradley Niebling-sergeant at arms, Sara Braaf, Sarah Dunning, Amy Futhey, Jennifer Blumenkamp, Shannon Ross, Stephanie Saltzman, Sara Young. **Row 4:** Kelly Klarenbeek, Becky Veitch, Christina Kachulis, Nate Byrnes, James Roach, Diana Brayden.



Alpha Phi Omega

Row 1: Lynn Obermark, Joy Hutcherson, Vicki Ahn, Michelle Calton, Tina Marstall, Kevin Alexander, Stacy Hawkins, Kimberly Adams. **Row 2:** Katie Collier, Molly Trauernicht, Stephanie Reahr, Allyson Morch, Becky Winfrey, Megan Delaney, Laura Hrabar, Amy Letford, Katie Poeppel. **Row 3:** Renee McCullar, Meredith Manley, Season Prewitt, Allison Deppeler, Sarah Loseman, Rebecca List, Erika Beine. **Row 4:** Jim D'Agostin, Erica Sule, Jeremy Leavitt, Brad Peuster, Doug Eisele, Ben Anderson, Kelly Morrow.

Junior Lauren Stoppelman, sophomores John Walker, Adam Thompsom and Todd Mitchell, and freshman Bill Green act as "Boosters" at Six Flags in St. Louis. Going to Six Flags was the biggest fund raiser of the year for members of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity. Members of the coed group always enjoyed going to the amusement park to perform service projects for the fraternity. (photo submitted)



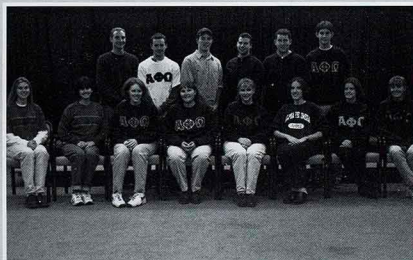
Carrying its banner proudly, Alpha Phi Omega makes its presence known by participating in Homecoming events. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Alpha Phi Omega members repair a dam at Camp Thunderbird. The project lasted an entire week-end. (photo submitted)



Row 1: Sarah Roll, Kathryn Burns, Erin Wright, Aimee McInteer, Megan Sturm, Angela Benton, Becky Hoehn, Shannon Cummins. **Row 2:** Anna Rothermich, Marcie Brugnara, Julie Strandquist, Emily Thomas, S.M. Shafiqul Islam, Christiane Paquette, Denise Borcharding, Jenny Lonigro, Debbie Stange. **Row 3:** Jennifer Herron, Amy Holbo, Glenn Grothaus Jr., Kim Carpenter, Kristin Goodwin, Matt Caldwell, Meredith Sepanic, Brett Shorts, Colleen Born. **Row 4:** Brandy Branson, Lauren Stoppelman, Ann Kralik, Carrie Plocher, Michael Daming, Joel Block, Kevin Hough, Nate Byrnes.



Row 1: Gina Keller, Karen Owens, Laura Meyer, Robin McNaught, Holly Ahrens, Melissa Lochard, Lindsay Woerther, Rachel Uttech. **Row 2:** Scott Korte, Tyler Borman, Travis Oglesby, Jason Shadden, Bill Green, John Walker.

Alpha Phi Omega

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Alpha Sigma Gamma



Row1: Sarah Vicker, Natalie Terry-corresponding secretary, Julie Rupp-historian, Molly McCaskill-vice president, Jessica Orf-president, Christine Stone-treasurer, Jamie Morgan-parliamentarian, Jennifer Benigno-secretary. **Row2:** Erica Barts, Ann Miller, Laura Hunter, Michelle Poska, Paula Beavers, Anne Wight, Leslie Dowell. **Row3:** Diana King, Justina Bowers, Kelly Frey, Mindy Gunn, Linda Kunz, Heather Hedrick, Lyndsay Wheeler. **Row4:** Amanda Jones, Jennifer Moore, Katherine Anderson, Robyn Sullivan, Rachel Heidbreder, Kathleen Beachum, Jennifer Adams.

Alpha Sigma Gamma



Row1: Leslie Thomas, Amy Boyher, Katie Scholl, Amy Peterson-fundraising chair, Jennifer Sutterer-co-service chair, Laura Metz-co-service chair, Beth Koop, Gina Rotert. **Row2:** Kristen Billington, Amy McKinney, Lindsey O'Dell, Kim Ralston, Jennifer Nieweg, Jill Savlin, Kelly Anthony. **Row3:** Shelly Yaeger, Kerry Shipley, Kellie Morgan, Melissa McCoy, Christine Robben, Abby Heeter, Tonya Stryker. **Row4:** Suzanne Lesinger, Sarah Derks, Lori Sickmann, Ellen Schaffner, Jessica Hanrahan, Andrea Mueller, Lisa Berna.

Alpha Sigma Gamma



Row1: Jenny Bell, Stephanie Mohrman-pledge educator, Vickie Perrey-pledge educator, Jen Jensen-special events, Niki Pfeffer-special events, Nikki Gary-fellowship, Heather Morgan-alumni chair, Jennifer Murdock. **Row2:** Jessica Rieser, Sarah Brown, Miriam Huffman, Kelly Dann, Angela Schmitz, Julie Thien, Paula Haefner. **Row3:** Angela Snodgrass, Cara Schuette, Maria Javier, Melissa Davis, Ann Wienke, Amy Straumann, Ericka Havecker. **Row4:** Kendra Allton, Emily Jentes, Angie Houchin, Karen Coole, Teresa Griffin, Ryane Thomas, Emilie Burch.

Alpha Sigma Gamma



Row1: Jennie Gallichio, Adelle Willer, Emily Sides, Michelle Barry, Heather Eklund, Emily Fish, Shelly Drum, Kelly Levins. **Row2:** Ruth Baker, Stephanie Schwarz, Michelle McKean, Becky Raney, Jenn Brogowski, Christine Hale, Joslyn Mathis-publicity chair. **Row3:** Kate Lenhart, Megan Hollingsworth, Kristie Oldfather, Paula Beavers, Emily Spencer, Jennifer Warmann, Kim Tucker. **Row4:** Jessica Henry, Lynae Borter, Katie Vaughn, Carrie Koprowski, Sherry Bartow, Cindy Martin.

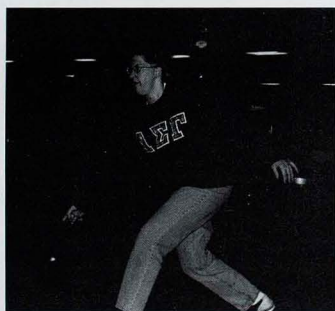
Sophomore Christine Hale and freshmen Marjorie Iwai and Angela Schmitz work together to rid the street and sidewalk of trash in Alpha Sigma Gamma's Adopt-A-Street project. The large organization found it easy to keep its street litter free. (photo submitted)



Sophomore Kellie Morgan helps kids bob for ducks at a Halloween Party held at the First United Methodist Church. ASG volunteered at several charitable events throughout the year, at which members could earn service hours for the semester. Members were required to complete 30 hours of service each year. These hours could be earned in several ways, such as visiting Twin Pines or the Humane Society. (photo submitted)



Proving that cleaning can be fun, junior Kelly Frey wears a smile as she collects litter on the side of the road for ASG's Adopt-A-Street project. (photo submitted)



Senior Tori Sutherland concentrates while participating in the Alpha Sigma Gamma bowl-a-thon at Leisure World. The fund raiser supported the National Association for Citizens with Disabilities. (photo by Laura Meyers)

... TO VOLUNTEER through a service organization.

Alpha Sigma Gamma

Alpha Sigma Gamma was a service sorority founded on February 16, 1971. The group grew to about 170 members, helping it make a large impact on its philanthropies. Included among the philanthropies, ASG raised money for National Association for Citizens with Disabilities (NACD) through a bowl-a-thon. It raised money for Muscular Dystrophy Tag Days to help Jerry's Kids by sticking people with stickers when they donated money.

The service sorority also participated in the Association for Retarded Citizens car wash, Walktoberfest, United Cerebral Palsy Telethon, Multiple Sclerosis walk-a-thon and the Crop Walk for Hunger. During January and February, ASG raised money for Oprah Winfrey's Angel Network by placing canisters in the all the residence halls and the Student Union Building.

Although its emphasis was on service, the sorority also highlighted sisterhood and fellowship events. Formals were held in both the fall and spring, along with sisterhood retreats each semester. A movie night and progressive dinner also helped bring the large numbers together. The largest task completed by ASG, however, was surviving Rush Week, as the sorority took about 75 pledges in the fall and 45 in the spring, doubling its numbers. Rush activities included a disco dance in the Down Under. During pledge season potential Alpha Sigma Gamma members had to complete a pledge book with all the signatures of actives and pledges.



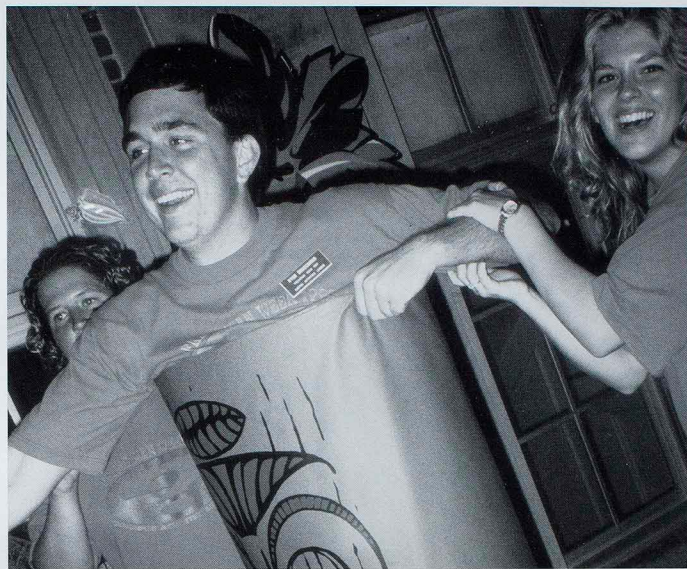
Sophomore Neil Copeland celebrates Halloween with his "little" at the Campus Pals Halloween party. (photo submitted)



As part of the Circle K Kids Corner at the Red Barn Park Craft Show, sophomore Melissa Lehmann paints faces. (photo submitted)



Helping the Class of 2001 get settled is a big responsibility, but loads of fun. Sophomore Ryan Breuckmann got himself stuck in a totem pole at Campus Activities Leaders Hawaiian Luau. CALs were chosen by the Campus Activities and Organizations Center to make freshmen feel welcome during their first week away from home. In addition, the CALs strove to keep freshmen on campus at night to keep them from getting into any trouble with their new-found freedom. (photo submitted)



Campus Activities Leaders



Row 1: Benjamin Greer, Susan Bertelsmeyer, Andy Gensler, Brad Wilson, Christine Carlson. **Row 2:** Erin Taylor, Tricia Boyle, Heather Droste, Amy DeHart, Tracy Reynolds, Cheryl Grew-Gillen, Sarah Woods.

Campus Pals



Row 1: Kate Lenhart-treasurer, Kristen O'Guin-president, Leah Kolchinsky, Kathleen Loughran, Jennifer Ice, Jenny Morey, Gina Lauver. **Row 2:** Gretchen Timm-committee chair, Wendy Martin-committee secretary, Jenny Thomsen-games committee chair, Amy Letford, Rhonda Rathke, Leslie Butler, Nicole Yanick, Shawn Slick. **Row 3:** Harry Harris-vice president, Katie Nielsen, Greg Dessau, Robin McNaught, Sarah Loseman, Julie Nenninger, Jason Thomas.

At a fall fund-raising dance juniors Janette Dumas and Lesley CayCe take a few moments to sit out a dance and catch their breath. Service to the community was not always easy or without a price to be able to provide the service. (photo submitted)



... TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY through service organizations.

Campus Activities Leaders (CALS)

CALS was a group of 15 students and a coordinator that sponsored most of the evening activities during Freshmen Week. CALS members were picked through an application and interview process. They had to attend two training sessions in the spring and one in the summer before Freshman Week began.

Campus Pals

Similar to Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, the Campus Pals donated its time to the youngsters of the community. Formerly known as the Campus Volunteers, the 76-member group sponsored events such as a Halloween party. Members went through an interview process before they were accepted. Each "big" was paired with a "little." They spent time together as "siblings" and participated in group events.

Circle K International

Circle K International was formed at Truman over 30 years ago. The group continued to raise money for its main philanthropy, Iodine Deficiency Disorder. Some of its activities included playing bingo with the residents of Country-side Rehabilitation Center and Twin Pines. It worked with the Ronald McDonald House and Y-Night at the YMCA.

Delta Sigma Theta

Delta Sigma Theta, a service sorority, tried to promote human welfare through helping with various service projects throughout the year. The sorority worked with Planned Parenthood, Victim Support Services, Special Olympics and food and clothing drives. In addition to service, Delta Sigma Theta also participated in the Homecoming step show.

Circle K International



Row 1: Michelle Bandy, Cassy Cooksey-treasurer, Joel Dieterichs-vice president, Christine Robben-president, Theresa Eggleston-district lieutenant governor. Row 2: John Armstrong, Lauren Vehige, Jennifer Sieh, Karen Stangoener, Julie Smith.

Delta Sigma Theta



Row 1: Damita Langston-recording secretary, Melissa Baker-vice president, Tonya M. Fleming-president, Natalie Parks-corresponding secretary, Temeka Lewis-treasurer. Row 2: Brandi Williams-black panhellenic council rep, Janette Dumas-housing chair, Lesley CayCe-sergeant at arms/parliamentarian, Tamra Finley-fund-raising chair, Angela Newton-service chair, Tina L. Raymond-chaplain.

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Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity worked to provide better homes for people in the area. The group worked with the Kirksville Area Habitat for Humanity to rebuild old houses for local families. One home was finished in the fall semester and another was started in the spring. The group also conducted fund raisers for student scholarships. The scholarships were awarded to students who would attend a building trip in Georgia during Spring Break.

M.A.D.--

Mediators Assisting Disputants

Mediators Assisting Disputants was an organization founded in 1996 to serve the Truman community. The 15-member group had a three-fold purpose: mediation, consultation and education. Any student could contact M.A.D. members in its office in Ryle Hall to seek assistance or information. Mediators Assisting Disputants offered support to student advisers with hall programs and sponsored a campus-wide roommate game.

STARS--

Students Together Actively Recruiting Students

Each of the 60 members of Students Together Actively Recruiting Students volunteered one evening a week to telephone high school students interested in attending Truman. STARS gave their views on life at Truman. Often times, STARS were the first to let students know of their acceptance. During an average month, STARS made over 2,700 calls.

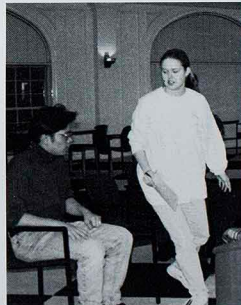
Student Ambassadors

Student Ambassadors introduced visiting students and families to the Truman campus. Around 110 Student Ambassadors volunteered one hour per week and helped with the four visit days hosted by the Admissions Office. Student Ambassadors answered questions about residential living, the academic atmosphere and Kirksville while conducting tours of the campus.

Freshmen Andrea Holz and Mistie Miller offer service with a smile at the Ryle Christmas Market. The Habitat for Humanity members sold various items such as cookbooks to try and raise money for their organization. (photo by Tina Patel)



Senior Jamie Stafford fills out information cards after talking with a prospective student. Members of STARS volunteered their time to make high school students feel at ease about the college admissions process. (photo by Josh Adams)



Juniors Cara Clark and Danny Maranan start an informational meeting of Mediators Assisting Disputants with an icebreaker. (photo by Tina Patel)



Row 1: Dr. David A. Hoffman-advisor, Terrence Waldren-outreach co-chair, Carrie Lange-treasurer, Nykina Jokerst-outreach co-chair, Bryan Bebb-vice president, Colleen Reid-president, Courtney Folino-public relations. **Row 2:** Marilee Bouleage, Sara Durham, Julie Rupp, Carol Tracy, Kimberly Urish-Runyon, Mary Noonan, Jocelyn Diehl, Jaclyn Case, Rolena Hadwiger. **Row 3:** Amy Bitter, Heather Woods, Emily Stawar, Todd Niemeier, Shannon Wright, Krissy Vogel, Julia Woehlk, James McCurley.



Row 1: Tim Taylor-advisor, Lisa Odorizzi-2nd vice president, Mary McBride-visit event assistant, Scott Simmoss, Kristin Orf, Abby Heeter, Shelly Yaeger, Julie Meitz. **Row 2:** Aimee Hellweg, Christy Straatmann, Jennifer Kopp, Heather Droste, Sarah Bachmann, Susan Bertelsmeyer, Jessica Neighbors, Meghan McCormick. **Row 3:** Caroline Horn, Jennifer Sutterer, Renee Robinett, Kellie Morgan, Adrienne Gerke, Melanie Yuracko, Jessica Hanrahan. **Row 4:** Katy Bryan, Brian Berger, Christine Carlson, Becky Owens, Chris Mobley, John Wicklein.



Row 1: Katherine Walz, Cara Clark-vice president, Sara Liebpresident, Danny Maranan-Public Relations, Sherry Bartow-treasurer. **Row 2:** Amy Steelman, Will Paddock, Lacey Pritchett, June Dardridge, Ari Cornman. **Row 3:** Jennifer Warmann, Matt Webber, Ron Laue-advisor.



Row 1: Cassie Green, Laura Westhoff, Kylie Christopherson-telephone specialist, Rolena Hadwiger, Cassy Cooksey. Lauren Vehige, Amanda Bruns. **Row 2:** Kym Miller, Sean Orebiyi-coordinator, Julia Bender, Elizabeth Mals, Michele Leveque, Lauren Hiatt, Stacy Weilbacher, Dominic Pisoni. **Row 3:** Matthew Gorton, Katie Astrack, Jennifer Warmann, Lauren Willard, Barry Wgoneiz.



Student Ambassadors Nate Byrnes and Lindsey Benson explain about life on campus and in the classroom to a prospective student and her family. Student Ambassadors took pleasure in showing off the campus to future students. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

...TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE through service organizations.

STEP

Students Together Educating Peers

Students Together Educating Peers was a program designed to educate students about issues related to sexual assault. It was run through the University Career Center. The 19 members of STEP were selected through an interview process. The members went through training for one hour a week during the spring semester. Some of STEP's activities included the Choices program during Freshman Week, residence hall programs and Rape Awareness Week.

Tau Lambda Sigma

Tau Lambda Sigma took a large pledge class to reach 50 members. The sorority's largest philanthropy was the KTVO Heartland Taskforce, a program designed to help create a drug-free environment for children. Tau Lambda Sigma sponsored a public service an-

nouncement contest with KTVO for area children each year. Additional philanthropies included Adopt-a-Street, Humane Society and Adopt-a-Grandparent.

In addition to service, the sorority members participated in social activities. They held a fall formal and a spring date party. Tau Lambda Sigma tried to promote togetherness by offering sisterhood events each month.

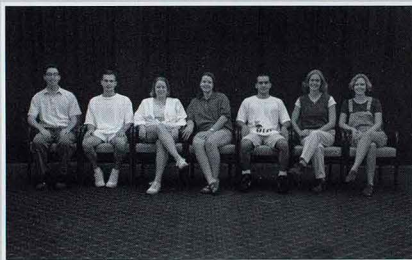
Women's Resource Center

The Women's Resource Center served to educate the students, faculty and staff about women's issues. The 25 members assisted the campus by providing information and contacts and sponsoring programs about various topics. The group sponsored Rape Awareness Week, Sexual Awareness Week, Breast Cancer Awareness Week and events celebrating Women's History Month.

Service is not always boring, as junior Liz Frederick proves as she proudly displays her holiday Oreo cookies that she received during the Tau Lambda Sigma Christmas Party. (photo submitted)



Students Together Educating Peers



Row1: Joe Hamilton-coordinator, Jason Troyer-assistant coordinator, Moira Cavanagh-social programmer, Jessica Hanrahan-president, Nathan Personett-vice president, Leah Dooley-secretary, Kathy Chojnacki-treasurer.



Tau Lambda Sigma

Row1: Jeanette Ritchey-social chair, Lynn Burns-secretary, Julia Kitsmiller-vice president, Laura Martin-president, Amy Reisenbichler-treasurer, Liz Frederick-merchandise coordinator, Kelly Lovan. Row 2: Debbie Miller-historian, Holly Young, Elizabeth Vermedahl, LeAnn Enloe, Megan Nalcolm, Melinda Crum, Angie Wilson, Molly Gillespie. Row 3: Erin Ponder, Maya Rittershouse, Heather Ann Helm, Lindsey Stuart, Angela Carron, Lauren Vehige, Deena Wiss, Jen Gragnani, Erin Venable.

The Greeks on campus gather in full force to help support the importance of Rape Awareness Week through the candlelit Rape Walk. The participants could be heard chanting "No Means No" as they walked through campus. The event was only one of many sponsored in conjunction with the week. The week also saw the Rape Awareness Clothesline come to campus. It was displayed on the Mall for three days, and shirts were categorized by color in correlation to the victim's assault. (photo by Mary Ziegler)



Student's Together Educating Peers training takes its toll on freshman Dominic Pisoni as he learns the art of role playing in skits. (photo by Tina Patel)



Social sorority members wait in line on the mall to receive candles for the Rape Awareness Walk sponsored by the WRC. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

Tau Lambda Sigma



Row 1: Beth McCurdy, Melissa Kendrick, Amy Hermann, Jennifer Mitchell, Missy Norman, Kesslie Patton, Teresa Chandler.
Row 2: Karen Roberts, Deanna Dieckmann, Christy Rosola, Lisa Abrewczynski, Melanie Freidline, Carrie Foiles, Amy Elschlager.
Row 3: Rachel Swederska, Michelle Sherer, Lane King, Rachel O'Hara, Alice Moore, Becky Boxleitner, Sara Jackson.

Tolman's Resource Center



Row 1: Molly Delanty, Melissa Seifert-staff coordinator, Erin Warner-PR director, Sarah Taylor-co-special events programmer, Melanie Knies, Aimee LeBaige-co-special events programmer, Christiana Yangou-sense of a woman coordinator.
Row 2: Janine Nicholds-co-director, Jessica Parsons, Cheryl Hindrichs-co-director, Carla Colque, Maria Styianou-programming coordinator, Kari Kopp, Aimee Tackes, Marshall Rowland-historian.

Audubon Society



Row 1: Vincent Smith, Elizabeth Green, Amy Lisenbardt, Cheri Heiser. **Row 2:** Elsa Youngsteadt-publicity, Caleb Hawley-activities chair, Tim Geiger-president, Kristen Sorensen-publicity, Jack Dabrowski-vice president. **Row 3:** Jennifer Bell, Jeremy Driskell, Abby Engstrand, Sarah Achleitner, John Halski, Callie Ryczek, Erin Wolf.

Environmental Campus Organization



Row 1: Kathryn Burns, Mark Rowland-vice president, Dennis Kopf-president, Stephanie Noll, Matt Kleinsorge. **Row 2:** Phil Kopf, Katie Kahl, Anne Volkmann, Sarah Roll-secretary, Aimee Hellweg-historian.



Row 1: Wendy Hehn-treasurer, Meghan Cronin-president, Christine Soriae Sheikh-vice president. **Row 2:** Hannah Lenon-secretary, Rhi Davinroy, Christine Brooks.

Beta Omega Beta



Row 1: Jed Carleton-public relations/treasurer, Jim Vogel-card coordinator, Emily Zimmermann-book coordinator, Ian Ruark-parliamentarian, John Fortman-movie coordinator, Kevin Nance-games coordinator, Matt Scharnhorst. **Row 2:** Kathryn Tyler, Jennifer Sloey, Anne Leicht, Kevin Spooner, Alana Schwier, Joe Selby, Allison Bowden.

TanlaSci

Birds native to Missouri fly through the Ryle Hall main lounge during a bird show sponsored by the Audubon Society in conjunction with Monday Nights in Ryle. The group also sponsored a clean-up of Bear Creek and several guest speakers. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Sophomore Kevin Nance animatedly reads at a FantaSci meeting while senior John Fortman watches. FantaSci members actively participated in several events throughout the year, such as the Harvest Fair in September and the Yule Feast in December. During the Yule Feast, FantaSci members dressed in costumes, ate delicious food, danced and, on occasion, re-enacted fights from scripts. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Junior Jed Carleton, sophomore Randy Wittling and senior Emily Zimmermann listen to the business portion of a FantaSci meeting. (photo by Hemal Patel)

An interested audience member gets an up-close view of a native bird during the Audubon Society and Missouri Native Plant Society bird show. Members worked throughout the year to educate the community. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

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*Audubon Society and
Missouri Native Plant Society*

The Audubon Society was composed of about 20 regular members. The Audubon Society on campus was part of the National Audubon Society and served the northeast corner of Missouri. Its main goal was to increase nature awareness through outdoor activities. One of the yearly activities that the group sponsored was a clean-up of Bear Creek. Members also helped clean the Red Barn Park stream. The group sponsored several speakers.

Beta Omega Beta

Beta Omega Beta was a non-Greek sorority that provided closeness, friendship and sisterhood without conformity. There were six members before its introduction week in February. The organization's philanthropy was the Women's Resource Center, for which it raised \$100 in books to donate to the center. The group sponsored MisLead, a male drag show. Beta Omega Beta members sponsored many social events as well.

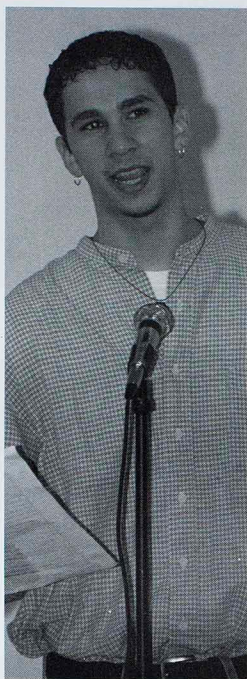
Environmental Campus Organization

Environmental Campus Organization had 15 members who were concerned about the environmental needs on the Truman campus and in the community. The group began a battery recycling program in all the residential halls on campus. The group also sponsored Earth Week, which was held in April. The group worked to start a stream team and a campaign for a grassland habitat on campus.

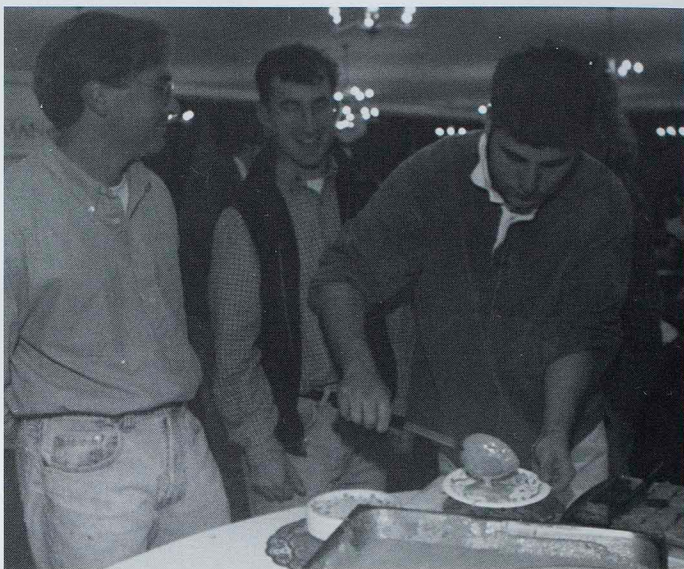
Fanta Sci

FantaSci, formerly known as Fantasy Club, had a reorganizing year. The 40 members watched fantasy movies and played a card game called Magic the Gathering. In April, the group held DeceptiCon, a weekend for fantasy lovers from Truman and outside the University to come participate in role-playing games and other fantasy events. Each participant paid a fee for the weekend that went to one of FantaSci's philanthropies.

Junior Carlos Perez reads original poetry during a Hispanic poetry night sponsored by the Hispanic Organization of Latino Americans. The group sponsored many events throughout the year to promote cultural awareness on campus and in Kirksville. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Alex Fouquet, a senior from France, samples exotic dishes from several countries at the International Dinner sponsored by the International Students Club. The organization promoted opportunities on campus for international students to learn about American culture. The group sponsored International Week that included a carnival and a fashion show of native costumes from around the world. (photo by Chandra Lim)



Hispanic Organization of Latino Americans



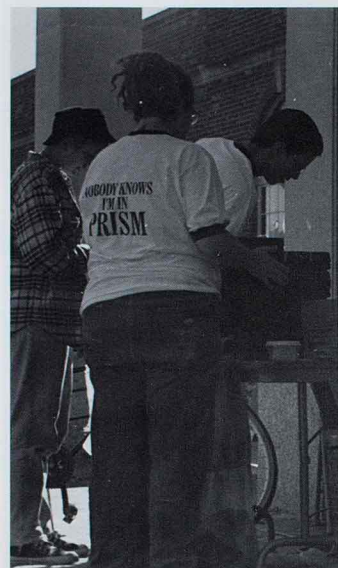
Row 1: Monica Detrixhe, Diane Hewitt, Stephanie Fortney-executive officer, Joseph Mossey-executive officer.



Row 1: Samila Mihindukulasuriya, Umi Yokota, Chanda Sen, Ram Calaga-president, Svetlana Chigayeva, Elmira Cizatullina, Marie de Foucard. Row 2: Todor Stavrev, Arit Jamal, Yong-Un Kim, Caroline Reignier, Asuka Kitayama, Neoko Mon, Reiko Itsuka. Row 3: Ron Laue-adviser, Lawrence Chui, Anton Gveorguiev, Bazle Rahman, Brunel Emmanuelle, Sin-Yeon Park.

International Club

Taking advantage of rare, warm winter weather, Prism hosts a Coming Out Day on the Mall in front of the Student Union Building. Prism's main objective of the year was to get a University resource center. (photo by Tina Patel)



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H.O.L.A.--

Hispanic Organization of Latino Americans

The Hispanic Organization of Latino Americans was formerly known as Social Active Latino Service Organization. H.O.L.A. was open to students of any cultural background. Its purpose was to promote Hispanic culture and offer a support group for minorities. The group participated in Hispanic Heritage Month in October.

International Club

International Club was formerly known as the International Students Club, but it expanded to include all students. Several American students joined the organization with about 75 international students. The group promoted intercultural awareness and helped international students adjust to life on an American campus. The group sponsored the International Dinner and

International Week in April.

Irish Club

The Irish Club was a new organization with a temporary charter. Its purpose was to advance the traditions and culture of the Irish. Members were encouraged to be of Irish ancestry, but it was not required. The group held an Irish Cultural Night in February. The group worked toward obtaining a permanent charter.

Prism

Prism sought to educate people about homosexuality and bisexuality and to offer support to gays, lesbians and bisexuals on campus. About 50 members met once a week and had discussions on various topics. Prism sponsored Coming Out Day in October and a dance each semester. The group worked toward plans for a resource center on campus.

Irish Club



Row 1: Rachel Williams-treasurer, Kevin Dooley, Travis Oglesby-secretary, Timothy C. Deveney-dictator, Nate Byrnes-vice dictator, Michelle McCarty-housemother, Doug Eisele-pledge educator. **Row 2:** Downey Fitzgerald-historian, Stephanie Saltman, Joy Hutcherson, Shannon McCarty, Jenny Blumenkamp, Kelly Lovan, Sarah Roll, Carl Oppelt.

Prism



Row 1: Holly Hart, Amy Ulth, Michelle Kenyon, Katie Cadwell, Heather Daggett, Bradley Harmon, Abby Wright. **Row 2:** Janine Nichoalds, Jennifer Griggs, Marshall Rowland, Benjamin Hook, Wendy Hehn, Amanda Crowell, Ken Nash Jr., Leo Kirsch, Joe Fuemmeler.

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Purple Pride

Purple Pride was an organization that supported the football team. It consisted of 22 to 27 interview-selected members. Purple Pride decorated the locker room before games and acted as ushers. The group traveled to one away game during the season. Members were required to work in the football office one hour per week. Purple Pride helped during recruitment by giving tours to prospective athletes.

Society for Creative Anachronism

The Society for Creative Anachronism had a regular membership of 10 members, with 20 members overall attending meetings and different events. The group sponsored Harvest Fair in September, which included food and fighting demonstrations. A member-exclusive Yule Feast was held in December in Kirk Gym, complete with feasting and dancing. SCA also hosted the Spring Fair in April with Grim Hall and the on-campus apartments.

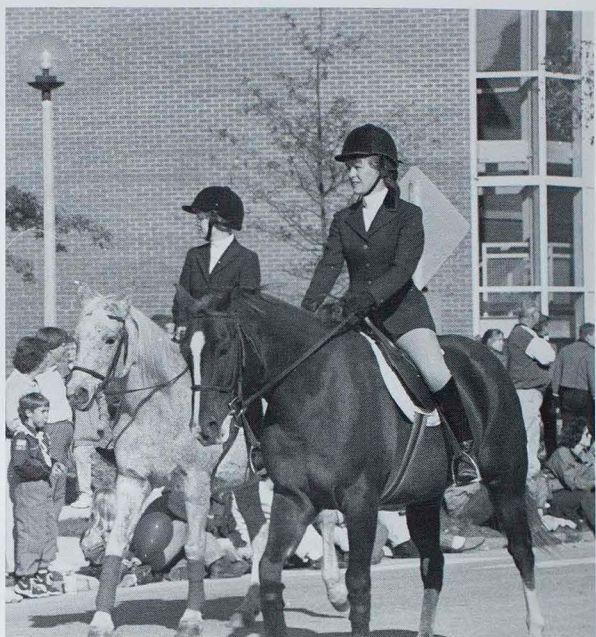
Student Activities Board

The 35 members of the Student Activities Board were responsible for providing entertainment on campus. The members brought several comedians to campus, including a performance by Comedy Sportz in March. Toad the Wet Sprocket performed a concert in November. SAB presented Campus Coffeehouse once a month. April was a busy month for SAB, with Lakeside Revue and Dog Days.

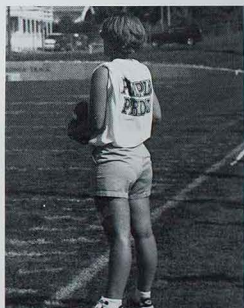
Truman Equestrian Team

The 30-member Truman Equestrian Team expanded during a four-year period. Students did not have to know how to ride a horse to join because members were willing to teach them how. The team participated in different competitions at several schools in the region. The Equestrian Team co-sponsored a barn dance with the Horseman's Association and donated money to the United Way. The group also worked at Circus Equus and took donations for the Hooved Animal Humane Society.

Freshman Danielle Dearing rides Goat and sophomore Suzanne Maddy rides Baldy in a parade as part of the Truman Equestrian Team. Members actively took part in events and competitions throughout the year. It collected donations at the Circus Equus for the Hooved Animal Humane Society. The Equestrian Team took time to have fun by co-sponsoring a barn dance with the Horseman's Association. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, juniors Christian Schaufert, Anne McKinney and Trevor Johnson attend a Renaissance Festival in costume to meet members from other chapters. (photo submitted)



Junior Kendra Lukefahr performs her duties as a member of Purple Pride at a football game. Members assisted the team in many ways. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Purple Pride



Row 1: Janna Meyer, Becky Frantonius, Carrie Fritsche, Renee Wenger, Andrea Crumpacker, Carrie Cobb, Angie Marlow. **Row 2:** Margie Smith, Danielle Deeken, Angie Pierce, Nikki Wade, Julie Neal, Patty White, Abby Moore, Jennifer Smith, Jusonda DeRouen. **Row 3:** Katie Hill, Steph Walters, Jamie Neal, Julie Schell, Shannon Bruns, Lisa Jones, Ann Kralik, Kate O'Brien, Beth Wachter.



Row 1: Christian Schaufert, Jennifer Sloey, Anne McKinney-secretary, Sarah Dennis, Cara McVicar. **Row 2:** Jenny Langley, Trevor Johnson, Brian Romine, Jay Baker, Ashley Farnsworth.

Society for Creative Anachronism

Student Activities Board



Row 1: Rachel Hack, Becky Owens, Mike Heckman-president, Erika Waldschmidt-vice president, Emily Corbett-secretary, Angela Judkins-treasurer, Caroline Horn, Carrie Grantham. **Row 2:** Leah Dooley, Michelle Bandy, Gina Gruettemeyer, Mary Leitner, Anna Worrell, Allyson Wilson, Alicia Ito. **Row 3:** Benjamin Greer, Katie Stokes, Dan Rueth, Jen Butler, Chris Wolf, Winston Vanderhoof-co-adviser. **Row 4:** Tim Sandfort, Amy LeBrell, Charles Akester, Greg Tartaglia, Brad Wilson, Emily Vogel, Brian Beall.



Row 1: Darci German, Tonya Pearce, Kae Dee Rinderknecht, Marisa Muenks, Jodi Heckethorn. **Row 2:** Sara Green, Sarah Brubaker-vice president, Jenny DeHart-secretary, Cara O'Connor-president, Tracy Snider-PR officer, Danielle Dearing-historian, Suzanne Maddy. **Row 3:** Brooke Brengard, Lisa Brokaw, Mary Beth Farrell, Melissa Hofmeister, Mary Medder, Jennifer Brann, Crissy Grothaus, Andrea Louscher, Jennifer Zagurski. **Row 4:** Ashley Hagan, Susan Hein, Carrie Bubb, John Wayne, Debra Hamerlinck, Joey Schmitz, Evan Black.

Truman Equestrian Team



A student band performs at a Campus Coffeehouse in the Student Union Building's Down Under. The event was sponsored by the Student Activities Board once a month. Truman students could enjoy music and free coffee as a break from studying. (photo by Tina Patel)

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Truman Horseman's Association

The Horseman's Association was open to all students interested in learning about horses. The group members ranged from new to expert riders. The group had open riding Saturday mornings at the University Farm for all members. Horseman's Association hosted two horse shows during the year. The group also hosted Circus Equus, a clinic celebrating the horse. The group rode horses in the Homecoming Parade and regularly participated in farm clean-up days. The Horseman's Association won the Gold Award for its fund-raising efforts for the United Way.

Truman Transfers

Truman Transfers was an organization open to all students who had transferred from another school. The group's purpose was to aid new transfers in the process and to provide them with so-

cial experiences with other students. The organization worked with the Admissions Office to organize Transfer Orientation during Freshman Week and the spring semester. The group members met one another through coffeehouses, movies and game nights.

Unique Ensemble

Unique Ensemble brought together about 20 students and faculty members twice a week. The purpose of the group was to witness through song. Members were not required to be exceptional singers. The group practiced twice a week and performed two concerts each year. Its concerts were held for Homecoming and another in the spring. The group sang upon request within the community and around the state. It also performed benefit concerts to raise money for the Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Senior Anna Spreitzer works at a booth at the Ryle Christmas Market for Truman Transfers. The organization helped students adjust to the University. It also helped with Freshman Week orientation. (photo by Tina Patel)



Row 1: Charlie Apter-adviser, Sara Green-junior executive, Tonya Pearce-sophomore executive, Joey Schmitz-freshman executive, Danielle Dearing, Marisa Muenks, Meggan Bayer. **Row 2:** Rebecca Battern, Kae Dee Rinderknecht, Darci German, Mary Beth Farrell, Brooke Brengard, Kristen Mertens, Suzanne Maddy, Melissa Shriver, Jenny Duncan. **Row 3:** Jodi Flowers, Shelley Mundhenk, Marissa Holmes, Andrea Louscher, John Wayne, Mary Medder, Ellen Walz, Heather Rasmussen, Jennie Brann.

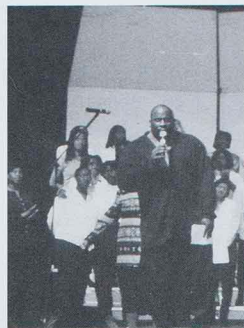


Row 1: Katie Hayes, Lisa Smith, Sarah Brubaker-secretary, Tracy Snider-president, Jodi Heckethorn-vice president, Colleen Pleiss-historian, Evan Black-treasurer. **Row 2:** Debra Hamerlinck, Cindy Bormann, Ashley Hagan, Jenny DeHart, Karista Koehler, Beth Henggeler, Jennifer Zagurski, Cara O'Connor. **Row 3:** Christina Truesdale, Carrie Bubb, Lisa Brokaw, John Wayne, Rebecca Jacobs, Sarah Achleitner, Dave Janney.

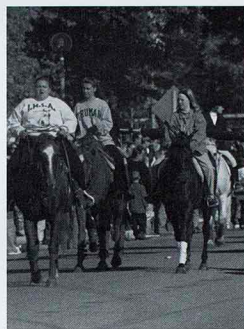
Truman Horseman's Association

Truman Horseman's Association

Unique Ensemble performs at a concert in November. The group practiced twice a week and gave two concerts throughout the year. Students and faculty joined together to witness through song. Unique Ensemble also performed in the community and around the state upon request. The group's biggest charity was the Crisis Pregnancy Center. It performed benefit concerts to raise donations for the center. (photo submitted)



A Unique Ensemble member takes center stage for a solo performance. Members witnessed through song. (photo submitted)



Truman Horseman's Association rides in the Homecoming parade. The group hosted Circus Equus in the spring. (photo by Hemal Patel)

Truman Transfers



Row 1: Jason Rush-president, Danielle Seyller-vice president, Shirley Schulze-adviser, Laura Krom-secretary, Lance Real-treasurer. **Row 2:** Jennifer Zook, Jennifer Arth, Sherry Tyhurst-co-activities chair, Michelle Gilbert, Carla Haas-co-activities chair, Anna Spreitzer-historian.



Row 1: Eddie Pierce-vice president, April Howard-treasurer, Schevone Bell-secretary, Samara Russell-sergeant-at-arms, Lakisha Blue-chaplain, April McCowan-historian, Kenneth Martin-public relations. **Row 2:** Jennifer Floyd, Latonya Barber, Leslie Butler, Cherron Byrd, David Green, Tony Brookins, Yvonne Winbush. **Row 3:** June Dandridge, Nicole Henderson, Lindsey Moore, Alisha Love, William Clark.

Unique Ensemble



Row1: Carol Parsons, Michael Agustin, Cheri Manzotti, Dr. Jay Bulen, Laura Boyer, Tim Bierbaum, Brian Dean. **Row 2:** Kyle Freleke, Chris McKean, Matt Lampe, Eric Blankenship, John Haefeb.



Senior Chris McKean plays the trombone during the Brass Choir's final spring concert.

The ensemble practiced for its performances twice a week.

The members played a variety of instruments.

They mastered many different genres of music ranging from renaissance to modern. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Freshman John Martinez quiets his kettle drums during a Concert Band practice. The band practiced twice a week to prepare for its concerts. Concert Band worked to give its members a greater appreciation of music from many different genres. (photo by Tina Patel)



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Brass Choir

The 15 members of Brass Choir practiced twice a week under the direction of Jay Bulen, assistant professor of music. The group held between four to six concerts each year. While the group did not tour this year, it generally went to St. Louis or Kansas City to perform. The group had a variety of different brass instruments including trumpets, trombones, French horns, tubas and an euphonium. The purpose of Brass Choir was to master the brass choir repertoire, polish various techniques and present interesting and entertaining concerts for the public-at-large. The group performed original compositions from the modern and classical eras as well as many transcriptions of popular pieces.

Concert Band

The Concert Band had 79 members. Under the direction of Dan Peterson, director of bands, and graduate student Joe Turner, the group rehearsed twice a week. Concert Band performed only one concert in December because of the overlap with the marching season. In the spring, however, two concerts were performed in Baldwin Auditorium. The group consisted of mainly non-music majors who did not have to audition to be members of the band.



The Concert Band practices on the stage in Baldwin Auditorium during one of its regular rehearsals. The band took time to practice as an ensemble and in sections. The group had a late start in the year because of the length of the marching season. (photo by Tina Patel)

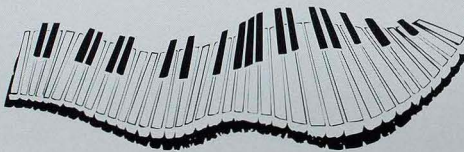
Junior
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Ziegler)



Showing their spirit by wearing purple and white hats, sophomores Jason Humrich and Greg Marshall perform at a men's basketball game. Pep Band members performed songs and led cheers to support the Bulldogs at basketball games throughout the season. The Pep Band involved the fans by playing songs including the theme songs from "Rocky," and "I Dream of Jeanie" and the University fight song. (photo by Lauren Medley)



Row1: Sean Jaillette, Tim Brown, Mike Sedki, Ryan Erickson, Chris Wilson, Aaron Brewer. Row 2: Al Ludwig, Andy Kropf, Matt Lampe, Chris Moran, Rob Reale, Ben Sturdevant. Row 3: Jenny Swain, Mickey McBride, Andrew Plett, John Brader, Eric Halbert, Drew Hicks.

Jazz Lab Ensemble

Sophomore saxophone player Dave Pisarkiewicz belts out a tune at a women's basketball game. The Pep Band was responsible for jazzing up the crowd by leading cheers and songs at basketball games. (photo by Lauren Medley)



... TO ENLIVEN YOUR SPIRITS through music.

Jazz Combo

The 20-member Jazz Combo was directed by Bret Spainhour. The combos attended class one time each week and were divided into four different groups. Each combo practiced separately, with six people in each group. The combos consisted of three rhythm players and three horn players. Each combo independently decided whether to perform at Two Tall's Too in Kirksville. Groups that decided to take the opportunity to perform in public played music at Two Tall's on Tuesday nights during the year.

Jazz Lab Ensemble

Jazz Lab Ensemble was a one-hour credit class that met three days each week. Approximately 20 students were enrolled in the class. The class sought to train students in different jazz styles

from swing to rhythm and blues to Latino. The class also trained students to be music educators so they would be able to teach jazz on the high school level. The Ensemble held two concerts, one of which showcased legendary trumpet player Slide Hampton.

Pep Band --

(men's and women's basketball)

The men's basketball pep band was a 16-member instrumental group that played at all 10 men's home basketball games. The women's basketball pep band had 10 members and played at all the women's home games. The bands were chosen through auditions in early November. Each member received a \$100 scholarship for participating in the pep band. Band members helped the cheerleaders and mascots get the crowd excited at games.



Row 1: Brian Moline-director, Mark Kamil, Chris Wilson, Matt Wilson, Sean Orear, Mike Powers. **Row 2:** Brian Dean, Chris Moran, Jason Humrich, Greg Marshall, Rob Reale. **Row 3:** Tim Bierbaum, Laura Meierhoff, Angela Glascock, Todd Kuhns, Wes Scott, Chris Ellman.



Row 1: Ryan Erickson, Todd Luzader, Mark Kamil, Dave Pisarkiewicz. **Row 2:** Chris Ellman, Jason Humrich, Greg Marshall, Matt Wilson. **Row 3:** Brian Moline-director, John Scott, Todd Kuhns, Neil Copeland, Chris Wilson, Wes Scott.

...TO INSPIRE OTHERS

through music.

Franklin Street Singers

Franklin Street was Truman State University's show/jazz choir directed by Jacqueline Collett, assistant professor of music. The 24 singers/dancers and seven band members went through four days of auditions to be selected. The group practiced Monday through Thursday evenings. Senior Tim Dial was the assistant director, and five other students served as officers.

Franklin Street gave concerts in the fall and spring. The group was selected as one of 16 choirs to perform at the Keynote Arts Association Collegiate Show Choir Showcase in Nashville, Tenn., from March 5-8. The show choirs were from 10 states, with Franklin Street being the only show choir from Missouri. The Showcase consisted of various workshops and meetings featuring music publishers, composers and choreographers. The selection committee based its decision on a taped performance and resume.

Franklin Street took a fall tour to Mahamad, Ill., performing 2-3 concerts a day at various high schools in the area. With constant rehearsals between performances, Franklin Street was always on the move. Franklin Street also performed locally and for campus events such as Homecoming.

University Chorus

More than two hundred vocalists from various majors comprised University Chorus. The members rehearsed for two hours a week for one hour of credit. Students did not have to audition to be a member of University Chorus which was directed by Paul Crabb, associate professor of music. A graduate student also assisted Crabb with the direction of the choir each semester.

University Chorus performed in two concerts, one each semester. The concerts took place in Baldwin Auditorium at the end of the fall and spring semesters. The choir usually performed in conjunction with the Truman State University Symphony Orchestra.

It takes a great deal of practice and hard work to blend 250 individual voices together as one choir. University Chorus practiced every Tuesday and Thursday for one hour. The class was open to any Truman student who had an interest in singing in a choir. University Chorus showed off their hard work at the end of each semester with a concert in Baldwin Auditorium.



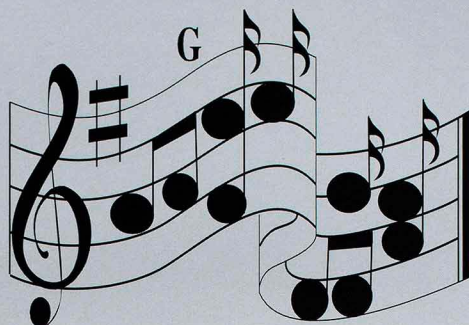
Freshman Craig Higgins and juniors Bekka Meyer and Jason Jester strike their final pose to "The Rhythm of the Night." Choreographed by Meyer, the song was part of their Homecoming performance.



Paul Crabb, associate professor of music, conducts the University Chorus during practice. Sometimes Crabb had to be overly enthusiastic to motivate the choir.



Row 1: John Hubert, Mike Porter, Bekka Meyer, Tim Dial, Paula Stoff, Lance Meyer, Chuck Jennings. **Row 2:** Jocelyn Sanders, Stacy George, Damara Crist, Jennifer Buchheit, Katie Ware, Melissa Relken, Amy Hughes, Kimberlee Mastrangelo, Becky McCreight. **Row 3:** Tom Gehlbach, John Kreilsergs, Andy Levy, Craig Higgins, Matt Lampe. **Row 4:** Casey Morris, Jason Jester, Aaron McPherson, Ken Nash Jr., Nick Harms.



"A Twenties Melody" gives senior Mike Porter and sophomore Jennifer Buchheit a reason to have a little fun. The routine was choreographed by guest choreographer Stephanie Hendon Beasley. The routine was part of Franklin Street's Homecoming performance. (photos by Josh Adams)

...TO FEEL THE BEAT through music.

Gamblers Marching Band

The 160 marching band members were known as the Truman State University Showboat Gamblers.

Students of any major and experience could be part of the band which did not require auditions. It was a one-credit class that met the first block of the fall semester.

The Gamblers were a corps-style marching band.

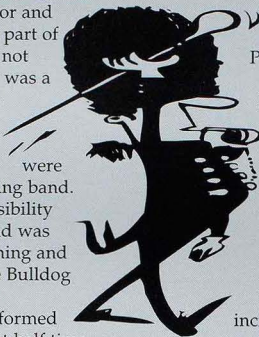
The main responsibility of the marching band was to play at the beginning and at half time of home Bulldog football games. The Showgirls often performed with the Gamblers at half time.

The ColorGuard and the award-winning drumline also performed with the band. The Gamblers were the featured exhibition at the Greater

St. Louis Marching Band Festival held Nov. 1, at the TransWorld Dome. High school bands competed in the festival.

The Gamblers were conducted by Dan Peterson, director of bands.

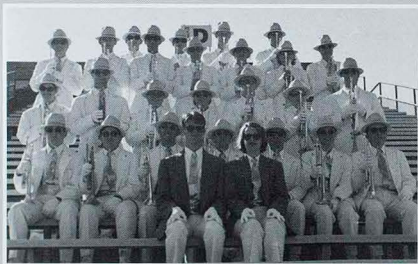
Seniors Holly Barr and David Seabaugh served as drum leaders and led the marching band on the field. Three graduate students also assisted the marching band. Each member of the band received a scholarship for playing each year. The amount of the scholarship increased each year a student was part of the band. At the end of four years of playing with the Gamblers, students were presented with the Sons of Baldwin Award for their work and dedication.



Sophomore Matt Moore enjoys the cheers of the crowd while playing his trumpet. Part of the payoff for the members of the Gamblers Marching Band was the reaction from the football crowds. (photo by Josh Adams)



Truman State University Showboat Gamblers



Row 1: David Seabaugh-Field Commander, Holly Lynn Barr-Drum Major. **Row 2:** Tim Bierbaum, Mark Kamil, Neil Copeland, Melissa Anfield, Bryan Gibson, Amy Bauer, Brandon Crosby. **Row 3:** Angela Glascock, John Spomer, Amy Edmundson, Lesley McCollough, Matt Moore, Becky Salaban, Brian Dean. **Row 4:** Laura Meierhoff, John Scott, Andy Schultz, Stephanie Summers, Jenny Langly, Erin McFarland, Stefani Stangler. **Row 5:** John Haeefe, Jim Geisler, Ryan Brush, Chris Wilson.

Truman State University Showboat Gamblers



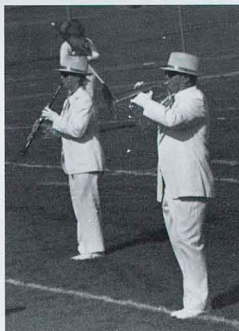
Row 1: Nikki Cook, Megan Riley, Sarah Hamilton, Eric Veile. **Row 2:** Michelle Gilbert, Suzanne Jones, Kaysha Hanock, Lori Feldkamp, Karen Luzader, Anna Kuntz, Katy Anselmo. **Row 3:** Tommy Estlund, Debbie Hunt, Adrienne Smith, Kimberlee Mastrangelo, Suzanne Ashby, Kristen Mertens, Morgan Nevans. **Row 4:** Roanne Lane, Erin Kruenegel, Ellen Grimm, Nicole Harmon, Emily Stawar, Tina Anshus. **Row 5:** Carie Kallal, Marci Garner, Janice Hodges, Jennifer Arth, Ken Lederle, Holly Farkes. **Row 6:** Eli Gay, Dan Tucker, Ryan Erickson, Aaron McPherson, Robin McNaught.

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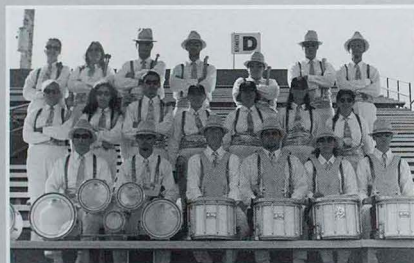
Being a member of the Truman State University Showboat Gamblers is not just about hard work and music; it is also about having fun. At each football game the marching band sat in the bleachers to cheer on the team and helped energize the crowd. The marching band was joined by the drumline and Color Guard. During half times the Showgirls performed to one song played by the Gamblers. The Gamblers could always be recognized by their signature song "Shenandoah." (photo by Cheri Heiser)



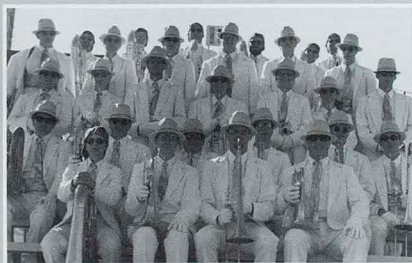
A little half time amusement comes from the tuba section of the Gamblers Marching Band as they race to spell out the U in TSU. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Keeping in step with the Gamblers Marching Band without breaking formation, freshman Dave Hendrick plays the melophone. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Row 1: Jon Crosby, Jim Elder, Ryan Walker, Ryan Treasure, Christa Petot, Chris Ellman. **Row 2:** Mary Voight, Amanda Finley, John Martinez, Jennifer Henry, Melissa Even, Susie Weis, Natalie Levine. **Row 3:** Mary Ziegler, Amie Walter, Ken Nash, Matt Spomer, Marilyn Rippy, Sean De Vore, Joel Kraft.



Row 1: Melissa Mahon, Jennie Brann, Brian Moline, Dave Hedrick. **Row 2:** Tom Weber, Jason Humrich, Bill Bequette, Robert Reale, Matt Lampe, Kenny Allen. **Row 3:** Jennifer Padberg, Carrie Lange, Greg Marshall, Stacy Weilbacher, Christie Rees, Nykina Jokerst, Chris Moran. **Row 4:** Claudine Baehr, Amanda Southard, Abby Wright, Cheri Manzotti, Allyson Sosnowski, Tabitha Myers. **Row 5:** Will Paddock, Jill Corbett, Wes Scott, Andy Upchurch, Matt Wilson, Todd Kuhns.

Truman State University Showboat Gamblers

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• MARCHING BAND • CANTORIA • ORCHESTRA • PEP BAND •

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE • SAXOPHONE QUARTET

Truman State University Symphony Orchestra



Row 1: Amanda Trout, Richelle Reese, Timothy Grimes, Jennifer Floyd, Cassandra Anders, Meredith Manley. **Row 2:** Kristen Hughes, Tara Eby, Greg Benner, Jenny Pluzrick, Emily Stone, Heather Tomes, Tabi Blain. **Row 3:** Dr. David Nichols, Kimberly Urish-Runyon, Aubree Smith, Julian Ott, Darlene Tady, Brian Smith, Nicole Zollinger, Andy Levy, Megan Hollingsworth, Matt Shivelbine.

Truman State University Symphony Orchestra



Row 1: Michael Agustin, Matthew D. Cole, John Kreibergs, Erica Oborny, Erika Reppen, Robbie O'Brien. **Row 2:** Brad Balog, Michael Sedki, Charles Jennings, David Low. **Row 3:** Chris McKean, Eric Blankenship, Dr. Russell Baughman.

Truman State University Symphony Orchestra



Row 1: Amy Woulfe, Joe Turner, Carol Souders, Jennifer Norton, Tina Kuenzel, Claudine Baehr. **Row 2:** Amanda Southard, Jennifer O'Brien, Beth Shivelbine, Channa Sullivan, Bich Pham, Erin McAlvany, Kim Harris. **Row 3:** Laura Boyer, Greg Marshall, Mark Benmuvhar, Matthew Spomer, Michael Branson, Zach Rieder.

Color Guard



Row 1: Becky Hoehn, Sara Jackson, Julia Kitsmiller, Melissa Mitschele, Kimberly Harter, Liz Frederick-captain, Kelly Lovan-co-captain. **Row 2:** Gina Keller, Amanda Smiley, Erin Ponder, Sarah Barlar, Becky Abdon, Molly Trauernicht, Lisa Weber, Allison Musser. **Row 3:** Rebecca Battern, Stephanie Rippy, Season Prewitt, Mary Patterson, Paula Ruckebrod, Courtney Hall.

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra plays with vigor and excitement for its last concert of the fall semester. The 65-member orchestra was comprised of all types of majors that showed dedication to excellence in classical music. (photo by Josh Adams)



Under the direction of David Nichols, the Truman State University Symphony Orchestra concentrates on producing a peaceful musical tone during its December concert. The orchestra played throughout the year in concerts, for special campus events and in competitions. The orchestra worked on two major pieces, Haydn-Mass and Stravinsky-Mass, during the spring semester. (photo by Josh Adams)



Junior Kelly Lovan performs a Color Guard routine with ribbons rather than flags during halftime to "Somebody to Watch Over Me" by Gershwin. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Freshman Courtney Hall, sophomore Melanie Trauernicht and junior Julie Kitzmiller perform during halftime for the Family Day football game to the song "Summer it Ain't." (photo by Hemal Patel)

...TO EXPRESS YOURSELF

through music .

Truman State University Symphony Orchestra

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra was conducted by David Nichols, professor of music. Nichols said the orchestra always had been one of the major ensembles on campus. Students had to audition for the one-credit class. Sixty-five students were selected, of which more than 60 percent were non-music majors.

The orchestra had several regular orchestral concerts each semester. On Dec. 4, the orchestra performed as part of a tribute to the Student Union Building to celebrate its 30th anniversary. In February, the orchestra performed in the operetta *Die Fledermaus*.

The orchestra participated in a concerto concert competition in March. In April, the symphony orchestra performed two major choral pieces, Haydn-Mass and Stravinsky-Mass, with the University Chorus.

Color Guard

The Color Guard, which worked with the Gamblers Marching Band, was comprised of 22 women. There were no auditions to be a part of the squad, but previous marching band and/or color guard experience was necessary to be allowed on the squad. Fifteen of the members were freshmen which made it a season of rebuilding.

Practices were held every day, and members could choose which practices they wanted to attend. On days that there were football games, the squad met at Stokes Stadium at 9 a.m. for practices. The squad was tested before each performance to ensure that the routines were ready for games.

The squad also had three flag droppers that made sure that all of the flags were where they needed to be before each performance.

The Color Guard also had a great deal of fun. It traveled to St. Louis to the Trans-World Dome to perform in a competition. During home games the group wore orange hunting hats in the stands to identify themselves as the Color Guard.

Freshman Jon Crosby waits for the appropriate time to enter the musical score with the kettle drums. In addition to daily rehearsals, the members of Wind Symphony were expected to practice on their own as well as in sections. Wind Symphony could also be taken for one hour of credit.



Music is more than something heard on the radio to these dedicated musicians. The members of the Truman State University Wind Symphony took their diverse repertoire of music seriously and worked to obtain a well-blended group, not just individual musicians. Their hard work was displayed not only in University concerts but also on tour. During the year, Wind Symphony traveled to St. Louis and Iowa.



Cantoria

Row 1: Paula Stoff-historian, Summer Johnson-secretary, John Spomer-president, Regina Brown-choral assistant, Melissa DeLeal-vice president, Damara Crist-treasurer, Rachel Heidbreder. **Row 2:** Michael Porter, Roanne Lane, Kristi Russell, Kara Davis, Peggy Zahner, Amy Bauer, Bridget Munsterman, Shelly Jones, Jon Whitley. **Row 3:** Becky McCreight, Lucas Redburn, Lauren Lieberg, Matthew Alber, Mark Rowland, David Seabaugh, Aaron Schiltz, Dominic Armstrong.



Cantoria

Row 1: Karen Keagy, Marilyn Rippy, Natalie Levine, Tricia Audrain, Leslea Ready, Morgan Nevans, Holly Lynn Barr. **Row 2:** Stacey George, Kimberlee Mastrangelo, Debbie Stange, Daphne Saylor, Lindsey Hewitt, Christa Musick, Dmitri Mosier, Wendy Hehn. **Row 3:** David Baden, Eric Dunivant, Kyle Fieleke, Tim Cox, Jonathan Brader, John Hubert, Aaron McPherson.

Senior Paula Stoff concentrates on singing the right notes and blending with her fellow altos during the Cantoria winter concert. Cantoria worked throughout the year on songs from various genres, time periods and composers.



... YOUR OWN STYLE through music.

Cantoria

Cantoria was a 60-member choir, formerly called NEMO Singers, consisting mainly of music majors. Students had to audition each year to be selected for the choir, directed by Paul Crabb, associate professor of music. In addition to several performances on campus, the group performed about five times a year in the Kirksville community. Cantoria members held an all-day pancake breakfast in December to raise funds for the groups expenses, such as buying music and cleaning its costumes.

It helped out with Honor Choir Day for high school students and held an all-day workshop in January. In February, Cantoria members took its annual tour to St. Louis to participate in the state music convention. Several members of Cantoria went on tour to Bulgaria during the summer of 1997 where they combined fun with music.

Wind Symphony

The Truman State University Wind Symphony consisted of about 50 members. The symphony was conducted by Dan Peterson, director of bands, and assisted by graduate student Joe Turner. Students had to audition to be a member of the one-credit class that met five days a week. Students of any major could be a part of the Wind Symphony.

The Wind Symphony gave several concerts each semester in Baldwin Auditorium. In the fall, the group performed with Phil Smith, the principle trumpet player with the New York Philharmonic. The Wind Symphony took a three-day tour each semester. They traveled to several towns in Iowa in the fall and to St. Louis during the spring semester. The tours included performing at high schools to recruit students and giving concerts in the evenings.



Singing at its Winter Concert held at First Christian Church, Cantoria watches for direction from Paul Crabb, associate professor of music. The concert was the culmination of Cantoria's work for the fall semester. (photos by Hemal Patel)

... TO BECOME ACTIVE

through a Greek organization.

Interfraternity Council

The Interfraternity Council consisted of 40 men, two from each fraternity, who tried to make Truman's Greek community safe and respectable. IFC passed rules concerning sexual harrasment, risk management, hazing and alcohol. It also had the final say in allowing additional fraternities to join. IFC sponsored scholarships to reward members of the Greek community with outstanding grades. Among other responsibilities, IFC ran formal rush, Greek Sweep and Greek Week.

National Pan - Hellenic Council

National Pan-Hellenic Council was the Greek governing board for the 10 minority sororities and fraternities on campus. Membership on the council usually consisted of one person from each minority Greek organization. National Pan-Hellenic participated in the Homecoming Step Show and Greek Week opening ceremonies. The group donated a Thanksgiving dinner to a needy Kirksville family. It also held a competitive food drive in the spring for Victim Support Services.

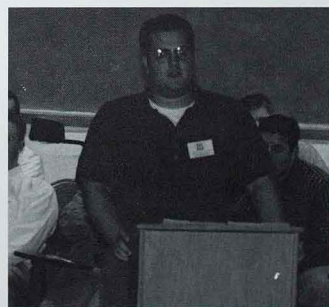
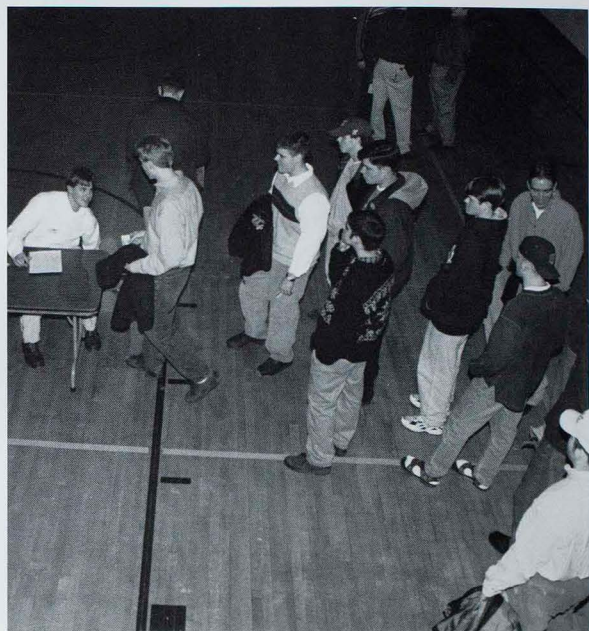
Order of Omega

Order of Omega was a Greek honorary society. Members were required to maintain a 3.00 grade point average and be nominated by their Greek organization. The group's purpose was to honor members of Greek organizations and to stress academics and activities. The 57 members presented a Golden Apple award to a professor from each academic division.

Panhellenic Council

The Panhellenic Council was made up of 14 women, two members from each sorority, who oversaw the affairs and regulations of the sorority community. The Panhellenic Council was responsible for organizing a respectable rush. The council also sponsored Greek Sweep and Operation Pump Can. In February, the Panhellenic Council won an award for outstanding membership recruitment from the Mid-America Greek Council Association.

Rushees pay their way into the Spring Rush assembly. The men interested in rushing a fraternity in the spring gathered in Kirk Gym to hear representatives from all fraternities on campus. The Interfraternity Council made rules for fraternities about alcohol, hazing, risk management and sexual harrasment. The IFC also sponsored Greek Sweep, Greek Week and conducted a dignified rush. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Senior Andrew Little of Phi Lambda Chi social fraternity tells rushees about the benefits of being Greek on campus at an informational rush meeting. Rushees listened to representatives from each fraternity. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Members of the Panhellenic Council display their award for membership recruitment from the Mid-America Greek Council Association convention. (photo submitted)

Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority had an eventful year. It celebrated its five-year birthday and International Reunion Day April 19. The chapter took third place overall in Homecoming and received the Jewel Award from its international chapter for raising over \$2,000 a year through philanthropic projects. It was one of the youngest chapters to accomplish this. The AGD's national philanthropy was the Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation which helped groups and individuals in need, such as Juvenile Diabetes.

Alpha Gamma Rho social fraternity served as the agricultural fraternity. It was open to men of any major. The 12 members of the Ag Rhos sponsored their Founder's Day on March 21 with a semi-formal dance. It held alumni events during Homecoming Week. The group co-sponsored Agriculture Week

The four members of Alpha Kappa Alpha were kept busy doing community service. The service done by AKA centered around six thrusts. The first thrust involved a membership with the Red Cross. The second was interacting with the government. The math and literacy thrust was fulfilled by helping at the Child Development Center and by providing tutoring. The acknowledgment of outstanding African-Americans on campus completed the thrust of the black family. The thrust for senior citizens was completed through an adopt-a-senior citizen program. AKA joined together with Hy-Vee in a fight against diabetes to fulfill the last thrusts.

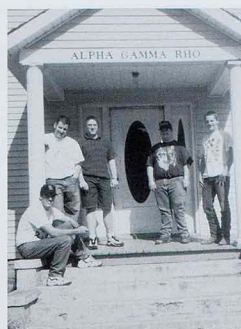


Row 1: Jill Hartridge, Jen Schulze, Jana Poos, Jennifer Horton, Carrie Parnell, Leslea Ready, Andrea Hein. **Row 2:** Kelin Sanders, Jin Wright, Harmony Cranford, Jill Franklin, Alyssa Troemel, Erika Waldschmidt, Linda Kues, Danelle Hovacek, Lori Bell. **Row 3:** Christy Lammert, Shannon Lantz, Darlene Tady, Amy Tramel, Julie Schulte, Amanda Guelker, Melissa Pautler, Amy Ringwald. **Row 4:** Christy Sapp, Rachel Ferrick, Katie Meadows, Laura O'Brien, Tamara Craig, Rachel Schaefer.



Row 1: Kelly Anthony-ritual coordinator, Janie Schmersahl-activities coordinator, Victoria Caltagirone-vic president of member development, Karin Stollenberg-president, Sandy Upchurch-vic president scholarship, Sara Newark-vic president finance, Jennifer Vandovich-sisterhood coordinator. **Row 2:** Nick Niehoff. Kelly Ney, Tori Sutherland-philanthropy coordinator, Suzy Schade, Laura Zyk, Jennifer Sacks, Rachel Hack-intramurals coordinator, Casey Goff, Tracy Lynch. **Row 3:** Sara Blake-property coordinator, Marnen Gannon, Jennifer Kopp, Kristi Bredbenner, Cindy Martin, Jennifer Crow, Janine Hall, Beth McCracken, Carolyn Petzel, Jill Hagar. **Row 4:** Krissey Vogel, Carol Parsons, Kristi Hickam, Cheryl Rushing, Sally Walz, Mary Johnston, Katie Booth, Kelly Lovan, Joy Morrissey, Lindsay Smith.

The women of Alpha Kappa Alpha social sorority step to the beat of the music during the Homecoming step show. In addition to social events, the women worked to cultivate high scholastic and ethical standards, promote friendship and unity and provide role models and positive influences for African-American students. The sorority required its members to have a 3.25 GPA and be at least a second-semester freshman. (photo by Hemal Patel)



The men of Alpha Gamma Rho social fraternity spend time hanging out on the front porch of their house in early spring. (photo submitted)



Alpha Gamma Delta president Karin Stoltenberg speaks to her sisters during initiation, the Feast of Roses. (photo submitted)

Alpha Gamma Rho



Row 1: Mike Phillips VNR operations, Tim Roeder-VNR planning, Andy Mueller-VNR recruitment, Roger Oien, Michael Thomas-VNR membership, Jeff Stewart-VNR scholarship, Mark Russell-VNR activities. Row 2: Chester Rickey-VNR finance, Jake Schwarz, Ethan Owens, Geoff Mueller, Andy Fleisher.

Alpha Kappa Alpha



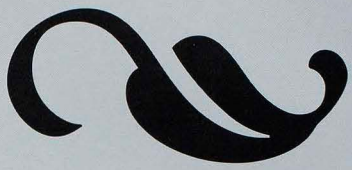
Row1: Linisha Mills-vice president, Kayshaun Johnson-secretary, Kia Hartfield-treasurer, Taneesha Dobyne-president.

Alpha Kappa Lambda



Row 1: Giuseppe Giardina, J.R. Christensen-secretary, Brandon Hamm-vice president, Matt Nagel-president, Dan Kean, Patrick Morgan, Brian Fruland. **Row 2:** Jim Nacke, Matthew Good, Riley Phipps, Jonathan Sparks, Bryan Schwent, Brian Tremont, Roger Obrist, Adam Segel-Moss, Chris Cason, Pat Kane. **Row 3:** Kurt Hoevel, Michael Miller, Mike Lee, Jess Dance, Brent Nelson, Todd Wilmes, Eric Davisson, Matt Nieberding, Ben McCoy, Dominic Pisoni. **Row 4:** Michael Patton, Timothy J. Horan, Shawn Hewitt, Christopher Nagelvoort, Michael Wells, Michael Berns-sergeant at arms, Ray Finney, Dave Boennighausen, Mike Keane, Ryan Riggle, Jeff Locker, Jason Struttman.

Alpha Kappa Lambda



Alpha Phi

Alpha Phi



Row 1: Janine Parks, Rachel O'Hara-vice president, Dana Ahrens, Heather Smith-president, Heather Kuhn, Amy LeBrell-vice president of marketing, Sarah Wyzlic. **Row 2:** Meaghan Bollenberg, Mary Milweger, Stacy Weilbacher, Melissa Mitschele, Kelly Field, Beth Schroeder, Janae Lemley. **Row 3:** Sarah Klein, Diana Roshek, Amy Hermann, Katie Cunningham, Kim Shelley, Shannon Lake, Andrea Clark. **Row 4:** Meaghan Hoey, Vanessa Smith, Katie Astrack, Michelle Landers.



Row 1: Wendy Haigler, Cindy Schwalm, Amanda Bruns, Melanie Yuracko, Tricia Kyler, Juliana Eckerle-formal rush chair, Amanda Bommarito-director of finance. **Row 2:** Lynn Madden, Monica Schultz, Anne VanRhein-philanthropy chair, Kelly Donovan, Paula Adkins, Hailey Hulse, Vickie Molitor, Melinda Sanderson, Tracey Lantz. **Row 3:** Elizabeth Kean, Nicole Harmon, Erin Venable, Jessica Krol, Amy Abbott, Angie Wilson, Janna Bergquist, Laura Guandolo, Trisha Lewis.

Alpha Phi

Members of Alpha Phi social sorority wait in anticipation at the bottom of Red Barn Park to meet their new sisters during Yell-In. Yell-in, held on the Friday during fall rush week, was where rush-ees let the sororities know if they accepted their bids. (photo by Tina Patel)



Junior Kevin Marting, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Lambda social fraternity, shows off his talent as a fisherman for the Delta Zeta "Big Man on Campus" competition held Feb. 12 in Kirk Gym. AKA participated in many events throughout the year that helped raise money for charities and philanthropies. One such event was "These Hands Don't Hurt," a national campaign against domestic violence. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Senior Rachel O'Hara and sophomore Stacy Weilbacher celebrate the end of rush on bid day with Alpha Phi at a Pizza Hut pizza party. (photo submitted)



Juniors Michael Berns and Carrie Riefstahl of Alpha Kappa Lambda and Sigma Sigma Sigma teeter-totter for Jeffery Damerall, an AKL with spinal meningitis. The event took place for a week in October. (photo by Josh Adams)

... AN EXTENDED FAMILY

through a Greek organization.

Alpha Phi

The women of Alpha Phi social sorority tried to concentrate their efforts on service in both the campus and the community. Its mission was to promote the ideals of womanhood and service through a social organization. Alpha Phi was a relatively young Greek organization. It was founded on campus on April 1, 1990. The group's biggest philanthropy was the Alpha Phi Foundation, an international organization that promoted cardiac care and research, specifically among women. Members of Alpha Phi sponsored the Just Kick It soccer tournament in April for all campus organizations and the money raised went to the Alpha Phi Foundation. All members of Alpha Phi were certified in CPR. The group donated its time to Victim Support Services, American Heart Association and Adopt-A-Street. In addition to service, Alpha Phi held a formal and a date party each semester for the members to get together socially. Alpha Phi won the Panhellenic Council Award for outstanding social service.

Alpha Kappa Lambda

The Xi chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda social fraternity had 100 members. The AKLs had been on campus since 1953. The fraternity's motto was "alethia kai logos" which meant "the truth and the word." The fraternity originated from a club called "Los Amigos." The AKLs supported the philanthropy "These Hands Don't Hurt," a national campaign against domestic violence. The fraternity also did teeter-tottering in front of McClain Hall with Sigma Sigma Sigma to raise money for its brother, Jeffery Damerall, who was diagnosed in the fall of 1997 with spinal meningitis. Each year the fraternity sponsored the event to help raise money for those with debilitating diseases. The fraternity also participated in Homecoming, Greek Week and intramurals.

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Beta Theta Pi



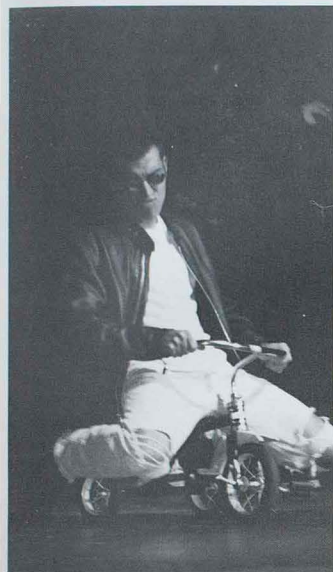
Row 1: Peter Lyskowski-pledge educator, Kevin Hollinger-risk manager, Jake Cowan-vice president, Patrick Cross-president, Nathaniel Peters-secretary, Greg Bell-treasurer, Brad Engel-rush chairman. **Row 2:** Dustin Sollars, Nick Clayton, Alan Bancroft, Ray Hener, Josh Becker, J. Henry Rischar, Brandon Kassebaum, Thomas Peck, Casey Whalley. **Row 3:** Dave Ronek, Christopher Heck, Dan Waterkotte, Jason Eldridge, Ryan Schmidt, Jarrett Marshall, Andy Twellman, Marc Pelini, Mike Heckman. **Row 4:** Ryan Rossiter, Brad Bekebrede, Richard Sykora, Michael Wait, Stephen Bernstein, Benjamin Jankowski, Jason Hubbard, Downey Fitzgerald, Matt Birkel, Eric Hoberg.

Beta Theta Pi



Row 1: Barry Wagoner, Clay Biggs, Jacob Sirna, James Hubler, Samuel DeOrnellas, Brian Suchocki, Shane Collins. **Row 2:** Tony Eberhard, Jon Best, Michael Aschoff, James Rocchio, Jason Parrish, John Wicklein, Brad Ross, Tim Copple, Tim Birkel. **Row 3:** Alexander Petrovic III, Ryan Mulbery, Dan Thomann, Christopher Smith, Simon Seah, Ross Merritt, Mike Shadle, Dave Gragg, Brian Bauer, Chris Benner. **Row 4:** Steven Curtis, Brian Umali, Brett Thompson, Graham Royer, Justin Moody, Mickey McBride, Michael Witt, Matthew Driskill, Matthew Fowler.

Sophomore Al Reichard is a rebel on a tricycle during the Homecoming lip sync competition. Beta Theta Pi, teamed with Alpha Sigma Alpha, went on to take second place in the Chairman's Cup for large organizations. (photo by Josh Adams)



... A SECOND FAMILY through a Greek organization.

Beta Theta Pi

Beta Theta Pi social fraternity consisted of about 100 members. The Betas earned its charter this year, becoming the Zeta Xi chapter. The motto, "Worthy of the highest," described the members of the organization. The group stressed campus involvement for its members, who also had a minimum GPA requirement of 2.5 and a service requirement of 20 hours per year. The Betas' main philanthropy was Children's Burn Awareness. The group worked hard to raise the \$3,000 necessary to start the program. One way it raised money, was to sponsor Splat, a paintball tournament. The group also coached at the YMCA, were sober drivers for other organizations and volunteered at a local nursing home. The Betas participated in Homecoming, Lakeside Revue, Greek Week and were active in intramurals. It won several awards, including the Interfraternity

Council's award for pledge education and second place in the Chairman's Cup. Beta Pat Cross was the Homecoming King.

Delta Chi

Delta Chi social fraternity worked throughout the year to develop a strong brotherhood among its 16 members. The men of Delta Chi participated in the annual Run for the Border, an event where the participants collected donations for each mile they ran. The donations received were given to various charities. The fraternity also participated in the Adopt-A-Highway program. The major fund raiser for Delta Chi was the creation of the Freshman Record. The fraternity had published the book for over a decade for incoming freshmen. The book contained pictures and biographies of Truman State University freshmen. Delta Chi was involved on campus through Greek Week and Homecoming.

Beta Theta Pi



Row 1: Ryan Lowry, Josh Duncan, Dale Rees, Andy Hansen, Steve Liebowitz, Dhyan Suresh, Andrew Kern. **Row 2:** Kris Schulze, J.J. Klay, Mike Maloney, Nick Pinalto, Kevin Gamber, B.T. Bachmann, Terry Weber, Lucas Carpenter.



Delta Chi

Row 1: Miguel Gutierrez, Bryan Beckman-alumni secretary, James Lenox-treasurer, John Gaines-president, Kevin Oligschlaeger-vice president, Travis Prewett-sergeant-at-arms, Joshua Wenz. **Row 2:** Zachary Love, Nic Martychenko, Robert Cabby, Jacob Orrisen, Kevin Shipp. **Row 3:** Jim Fraraccio, Joey Schmitz, Leo Hayes, Pefe Noel.

... YOUR SISTERS

through a greek organization.

Alpha Sigma Alpha

Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority was founded as the first sorority at Truman in 1901. The 105 members of the Alpha Beta chapter had an award-winning year. The Alphas were the first all-female organization in several years to win the Chairman's Cup for Homecoming. The group also won an award for the most philanthropic hours in its province. The chapter was considered a four-star chapter and had the highest GPA on campus. Alpha Sigma Alpha hosted State Day in February. Chapters of the sorority came from all over the state to meet their sisters.

Members completed a great deal of service work during the year. One of the sorority's philanthropies was Puppy Love for Tally. Alphas walked dogs from the Humane Society in memory of a sister that died. The organization also participated in Special Olympics and Adopt-A-School. Sisters held a pasta dinner and raised \$480 for the Northeast Association of Citizens with Disabilities.

Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta social sorority maintained high academic standards for its 115 members. Because of these standards, the sorority won the President's Cup for the 14th semester in a row. The President's Cup was awarded to the sorority with the highest overall GPA. Delta Zeta provided an atmosphere to strengthen friendships and provide service to the community. It promoted service through its national philanthropy, Gaulladet University, which was the only university in the United States for the speaking-impaired. Delta Zeta also gave to the United Way and the American Heart Association. Because of its academic and service achievements, the chapter was recognized as the Outstanding Delta Zeta chapter in the region. It also participated in Homecoming and sponsored the Homecoming Queen, senior Mary McBride. Delta Zeta was also a member of the winning Greek Week team with Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Tau Gamma and Alpha Phi.

Sophomore Heather Droste of Delta Zeta struggles to keep her balance during the Twister Tournament for Homecoming. Things got a little crowded on the mat as participants fought to occupy the correct colored circles. The activity proved to be a popular event. The Delta Zetas paired up with the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity during Homecoming Week. (photo by Tina Patel)



Junior Chris Heck, senior Courtney Folino, sophomore Cara Fitzgerald and junior Nikki Wade show off their lip sync talents during Homecoming. The Alphas worked together with Beta Theta Pi social fraternity. (photo by Josh Adams)



Freshman Molly McCabe and sophomore Rachele Judd dance an Irish jig during the Delta Zeta Homecoming skit competition. (photo by Josh Adams)



Row 1: Katie Kuster, Maureen Cannon-chaplain, Becky Schnarre-rush chair, Michelle Knipman-president, Andie Trotter-mem-ber-ship director, Courtney Folino-secretary, Julie Alexander. **Row 2:** Angela Zorbas, Megan Sullivan, Julie Hoffman, Christy Schmitt, Shannon Kerr, Allison Early, Wendi Kishi. **Row 3:** Tiffany Thrasher, Jennifer Kump, Nikki Wildman, Susan Behrens, Lisa Garfield, Michelle McPherson, Jen Butler. **Row 4:** Katie Weyforth, Sara J. Sullivan, Michelle Pavlak, Annie Porzuczek, Laura Crandall, Anneliese Millburg, Stephanie Schlegel.



Row 1: Lisa Nolen, Jeane Tompkins-assistant membership, Monica Houghtlin-scholarship, Kim Oelschlaeger-vice president, Francie Poehling -panhellenic delegate, Sharon Handley-editor, Chrissy Sooklall. **Row 2:** Danielle Spears, Sara Bessinger, Katie O'Brien, Molly Kandlbinder, Laury Ross, Mihi Beal, Emily Fridlington, Tracy Markeson, Julie Fridlington. **Row 3:** Julie Meitz, Tammy Fiscella, Michelle Rackers, Sara Early, Tierney Hofeditz, Trisha Callicott, Melanie Donato, Katie Elbert, Kara Bush.



Row 1: Mary McBride-panhellenic delegate, Sarah Bachmann-treasurer, Lindsay Hess-vice president of new member education, Sara Van Scoyoc-president, Lisa Odorizzi-vice president of membership, Melissa Goldie-academics, Sarah Lutter-secretary. **Row 2:** Valerie Hopkins, Julie Meacham, Emily Corbett, Maria Godefroid, Katy Walrath, Bridgette Collins, Erin Taylor, Elizabeth Amann, Kelly Moore. **Row 3:** Jennifer Wolff, Mary Ann McKenzie, Jacki Becker, Audra silvertson, Natalie Terry, Julianne Hall, Sarah Ingraham, Heather Droste, Jordan Block. **Row 4:** Kelley McGuire, Carol Scioneaux, Kendra Lukefahr, Kelley Matyska, Amber Harris, Sandy Witte.



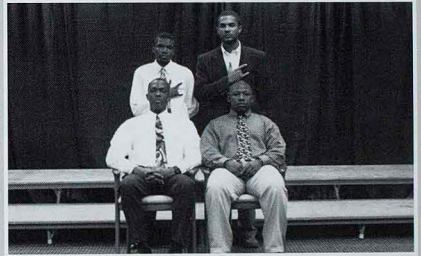
Row 1: Claire Kemna, Christy Jensen, Megan Hildebrand, Jessica Henry, Jennifer Benigno, Jennifer Bosshardt, Jennifer Mazi. **Row 2:** Lisa Roberts, Susan Bertelsmeyer, Michelle Drowns, Jennifer Cribb, Kristen Moder, Jessica Callow, Katie Scioneaux, Nicole Wisbrock, Tracy Reynolds. **Row 3:** Amy Struckhoff, Molly Braswell, Nicole Bruemer, Lauren Taylor, Lani Harimoto, Beth Doling, Janese Heavin.



Freshman Tracy Mardeson and sophomore Milli Beale find it difficult to keep their balance during all the excitement of Yell-In. Yell-In was when the new members of the sorority rushed down the hill to meet their new sisters. (photo by Josh Adams)



Row 1: Steven Wood-IFC representative, Danny Dolan-IFC representative, Ben Powell-fund-raising chair, Vasean Nixon-public relations, Dr. Fred Shaffer-adviser, Michael Jackson, Dan Eckert. **Row 2:** Kyle Hugo, Chad Harris, Storm Huse, Dave Pagano, Josh Sherman, John Sept, Chris Schulte, Thaddeus Woosley, Dan Rueth. **Row 3:** Brad Wilson, John McMenamy, Ben Greer.



Row 1: Ken Compton-president, Demetrius Davis-vice president. **Row 2:** Eddie Pierce-treasurer, Christopher Hayes-secretary.

through a Greek organization.

Phi Kappa Tau social fraternity was a group of over 50 members in its 11th year on campus. The Greek organization looked for a balance of brotherhood, athletics and academics in its members. There was a minimum 2.4 GPA requirement. The Phi Taus raised money for Paul Newman's Hole in the Wall Gang, a camp for underprivileged children. The camps were scattered throughout the United States. It sponsored the Cook-Out for Kids in April to raise money for the national philanthropy. The group also helped with highway clean-ups and participated in Homecoming and Greek Week.

Phi Kappa Theta social fraternity had 108 members. It worked hard to have well-rounded members who were academically strong, were willing to serve the school and local communi-

ties and recognized the strength of the brotherhood. The Phi Kap's biggest philanthropy was the Northeast Missouri Action Committee. It helped raise money through a bowl-a-thon. The Phi Kaps also held food drives for NMAC and went to the Armory once a month to help with the regional distribution of the food. The Phi Kaps also gave to the United Way and the American Heart Association. The Phi Kaps helped with the Special Olympics and participated in the Adopt-A-Street program. During Christmas, the members rang bells outside of Wal-Mart for the Salvation Army. It also participated in Homecoming, Greek Week and Lakeside Revue.

The Phi Kaps celebrated its 30th anniversary on campus April 30. It received the President's Award from the national chapter for its Associate Program and number of actives.

Members of Phi Kappa Theta and Phi Kappa Tau social fraternities and Sigma Kappa social sorority participate in some "Risky Business" during Greek Week's lip sync competition. (photo by Tina Patel)



Phi Kappa Tau

Row 1: Kevin Stuckler-membership, John LeMay-sergeant-at-arms, Matthias Phillips-treasurer, Ralph Cupelli-chapter advisor, Ed Fischer-president, Kevin Foster-vice-president, James Curran-risk management. **Row 2:** Aaron Rowe, Cliff Fraser, Matthew Moore, Graham Giblin, Travis Beller, Eric Stover, Pete Guntli, Marcus Wallace, Da Marquez-IFC representative, Kip Ribbeckel.

Row 3: Tim Gau, Chris Brown-brotherhood, Chris Foulk, Brian Nikkel, Matthew Muren, Peter North, John Holmes, Kyle Egan, Tim Hudson, Kevin Rafferty, Scott Symank.

Row 4: John Anderson, Doug Macgregor, Doug Macgregor, Matthew Mullen, Scott Harkey, Christopher Medwute, Thomas Sullivan Magnum-rush co-ordinator, Mike Peterson, Andy Guehlte, Brian Ficholz, Trish Mites.

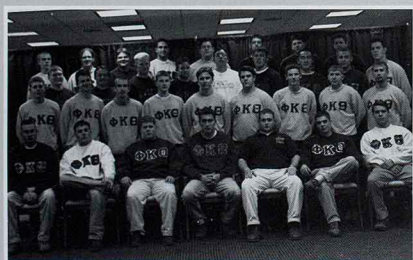


Phi Kappa Theta

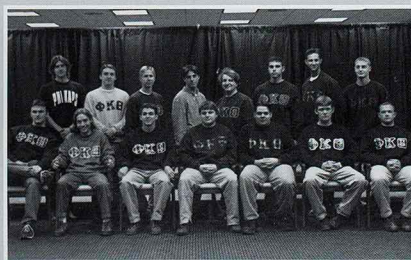
Row 1: Philip O'Quando-sergeant-at-arms, Justin Hastings-second vice president, Luke Claeys-first vice president, Scott Paccagnini-president, Chad Giesmann-secretary-second vice president, Derek Burr-treasurer, Matt Rizzo-associate member educator. **Row 2:** Darin Henderson, Michael Bornfleith, Daniel Ahring, David Meyer, Thomas Schmidt, William Siems II, Tony Vandemore, Brad Huntington, Bryan Tate. **Row 3:** Jason Imig, Justus Baco, Marty Stohldirger, Jeff Melching, Drew Ham, Justin Salazar, Andrew Martin, Eric Thorntonsen, Ryan Weisheyer. **Row 4:** Scott Swindler, Brett Swip, David Westmeyer, Lee Foss, Tim Jones, Tom McCarthy, Mike Grellner, Evan Adair, Ed Lynch.



Freshman Lee Foss represents the Phi Kappa Theta social fraternity team as he makes his way through the water pit of the obstacle course during the tug of war games. The Phi Kaps also participated on campus through Homecoming and Greek Week. The 108 members of the fraternity donated time to philanthropies such as Northeast Missouri Action Committee, Special Olympics and Adopt-A-Highway. The Phi Kaps also rang bells outside Wal-Mart during Christmas to raise money for the Salvation Army. One goal of the group was to maintain a balance between academics and service. The Phi Kaps, who recognized the strength of brotherhood, celebrated their 30th anniversary on campus April 30. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Row 1: Matthew be, Ben Hanewinkel, Jamie Linck, Dominic Orlando, Jason Fryt, Tyson Meyer, Michael Wood. **Row 2:** Marc Chenot, Jared Rohr, Kenneth Lewis III, Jeffrey Buerger, Christopher Huffman, Matthew Doyle, Timothy Kraft, Dennis Sesczyn, Billy Devita. **Row 3:** Christopher Moram, Jeremy Huffman, Dustin Spencer-housing chair, Matthew Eilerman-music chair, Brad Pennington, Josh Pa, Bobby Armstrong, Ehren Hart-pledge class president. **Row 4:** Tim Niedebringhaus, Kevin Dooley, Doug Depp, Matt Strickler, Dennis Steiner, Timothy Jones-designated driver chair, Josh Bacott-music chair, Keith Bozler.

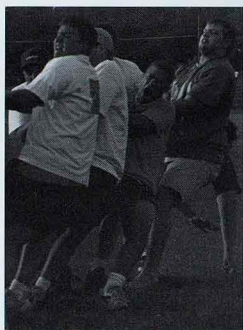


Row 1: Ross Martin, Andrew Stough, Paul Barker, Ryan Brown, Anthony Russo, T. W. Doherty, Joel McDonald. **Row 2:** Ryan Brown, Charles Murray, Travis Cottrell, Scott Mues, Jeremy Farishon, Rex Ramirez, Scott Hess.

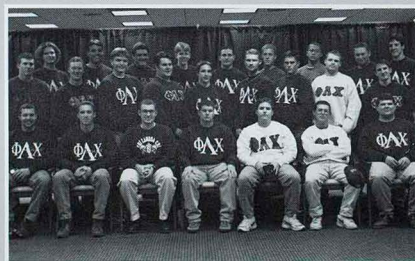
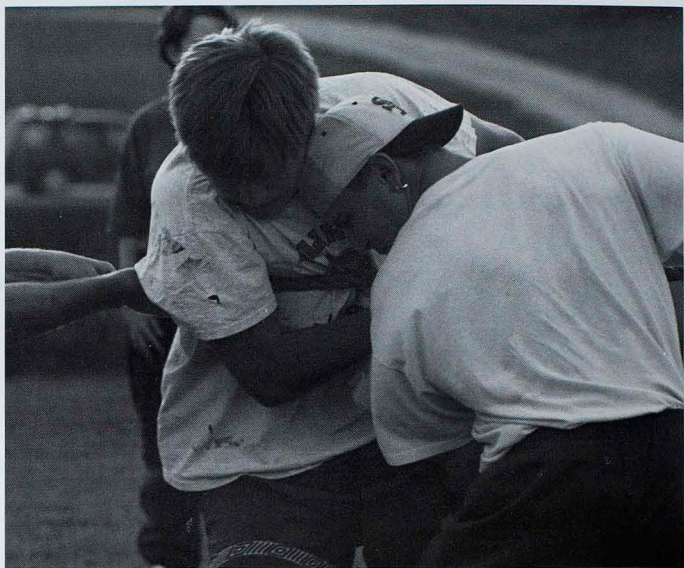
Members of Sigma Kappa, Phi Kappa Tau, and Phi Kappa Theta compete in the lip sync competition for Greek Week. (photo by Tina Patel)



The men of Phi Lambda Chi social fraternity battle it out on a muddy field during tug of war in the fall. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Freshman Andy David and sophomore Sam Africano struggle to maintain their ground on the Phi Lambda Chi social fraternity's side of the rope. Tug of war was just one way the Phi Lambs were involved on campus and with the Greek system. Members also participated in Homecoming and prided themselves on taking first place for their float. The fraternity also participated in Greek Week and supported several philanthropies. (photo by Charlie Hinderliter)



Row 1: Aaron Schumann, Chris Lantz-adviser, Nick Evans-secretary, Matthew Graves-president, John Slama-vice president, David Ahrens-sentinel, Chris Thomas. **Row 2:** Brian Wakefield, John Palmer, Andy David, Andrew Little, Philip Sampiller, Robert Bowen, Sean DeVore, Grant Johnson, Corey Keller. **Row 3:** Zachary Clifford, Eric Eckert, Pat Madden-public relations, Mark Noller, Sam Africano, Curtis Bingham-education director, Patrick Adams-social chair, John Seaborn, Jow Gaffney.



Row 1: Becky Owens, Sarah Lohse, Amanda Stienecker-vice president of pledge education, Leslie Graff-president, Susie Burgess-executive vice president, Laura Shady-corresponding secretary, Shannon Bruns. **Row 2:** Meredith Allee, Catherine Sanders, Carla Klahs, Sara Rosenkoetter, Elizabeth Mazur, Julie Neal, Kim Cain, Catherine Stanley, Jamie Neal. **Row 3:** Becca Svuba, Elizabeth Mals, Sarah Mason, Meredith Martin, Christa Cummins, Michelle Blocker, Marya Lucas, Olivia Ramsay, Hope Wallis. **Row 4:** Nicole Baker, Julie Nenninger, Jessica Cinco, Jennie Schmitz, Amy Westrich, Sara Roslansky, Laura Ronsick, Laura Meade, Becky Russell.

Sigma Kappa social sorority and Phi Kappa Theta and Phi Kappa Tau social fraternities perform their closing number in Kirk Gym for the Greek Week lip sync competition. Sigma Kappa focused on sisterhood and service. (photo by Hemal Patel)



... UNFORGETTABLE TIMES through a Greek organization.

Phi Lambda Chi

The Lambda chapter of Phi Lambda Chi social fraternity had 30 members. Members were required to keep a minimum GPA of 2.0 to retain membership in the group. The Phi Lams had two major philanthropies.

In the fall, it volunteered its time at the Children's Fair, sponsored by Planned Parenthood. At the fair, members dressed as McGruff the Crime Dog and Smokey Bear and talked with the children. Members also helped with food and drinks at the fair.

In the spring, it sponsored Camp On the Mall with Sigma Kappa social sorority for Victim Support Services. The Phi Lams' proud accomplishment of the year was winning first place in the float competition during Homecoming Week. The members also helped support their adviser, Bill Murray, in his campaign for city council. It won several awards at nationals.

Sigma Kappa

The 104 members of Sigma Kappa social sorority focused on service and sisterhood. The sorority's motto was "One heart, one way." It sponsored Crush, a dance where men were invited anonymously and received a bottle of Crush soda. The Sigma Kappa national philanthropy was associated with gerontology. To support this, the sorority participated in Alzheimer's Week and sponsored a senior citizen's prom for the residents of Twin Pines. Sigma Kappa also supported the Main Sea Coast Mission; its purpose was to gather nonperishable items and toiletries for people who could not get to the mainland during the winter. In April, Sigma Kappa in conjunction with Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority, sponsored Frats at Bat, a softball tournament. Money raised went to each respective sorority's national philanthropy.

Sigma Kappa



Row 1: Jill Quigley, Katherine Lenhart, Gia Tummlillo-recording secretary, Sara Stienecker-vice president of scholarship, Amanda Crenshaw-, Jennifer Watrous-vice president of alumnae relations, Angie Graham. **Row 2:** Heather Rasmussen, Pamela Dangremond, Tricia Stucky, Julie Westre, Mary Medder, Emily Price, Christy Friederichs, Kerri Cruikshank, Chrystal Paulos. **Row 3:** Jennifer LaMantia, Lynn Schiermeyer, Elizabeth Fullington, Janna Meyer, Stephanie Keller, Michelle Scarry, Jenny Sims, Heather Scrivner, Jessica Saucier. **Row 4:** Sharon Bader, Susan Henderson, Lara Kirschner, Liz Lamperti, Mande Mitchell, Jennifer Ergle, Ryane Thomas, Lauren Svoboda, Teresa Griffin.



Row 1: Lori Chandler, Devon Palmer, Liz Kolwyck, Keri Anson, Becca Kniffen, Chris Forcelledo, Kerri Phillips. **Row 2:** Emily Etchason, Carrie Bebermeyer, Tanya Starkovich, Regina Franke, Renee Robinett, Bridgette Goodwin, Michelle Lesley. **Row 3:** Melinda Braband, Erin Jones, Julie Loftus, Jennifer Eatherton, Emily Salem, Stacey Ludy, Jeni Cook. **Row 4:** Bridget Fletcher, Niki Pfeffer, Jennifer Burroughs, Natalie Maenza, Cassie Green, Amy Barker.

Sigma Kappa

... YOUR BROTHERS

through a Greek organization.

Phi Sigma Kappa

During the 1997-98 school year, Phi Sigma Kappa celebrated its 70th year as a member of Truman's Greek community. However, the Phi Sigs had been known as Sigma Delta Tau and Phi Sigma Epsilon throughout the 70-year time period. The 40 members of Phi Sigma Kappa continued serving the Kirksville community by contributing to the local elementary schools' Jump Rope for Heart program. The program raised money for the American Heart Association. Also, the Phi Sigs helped out at the Thompson Campus Center's annual Halloween carnival. Members were in charge of contests and games that children played to win toys and candy. This year, the Phi Sigs made internal improvements within the chapter to make certain that it would be around for another 70 years.

Pi Kappa Phi

Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity had 85 members. It supported its national philanthropy, PUSH America, which was founded in 1977. PUSH focused on helping people with disabilities through fund-raising, awareness programs and volunteerism. The Delta Delta chapter also participated in the Journey of Hope, which was a bike tour across the United States used to raise money for PUSH. During the summer of 1997, senior John Sebben represented the Delta Delta chapter during the Journey of Hope. The 1998 participant was sophomore John Challis. On campus, Pi Kap members participated in a scaffold sit on the mall for a week. During Spring Break several fraternity members went to Alabama to work on a PUSH project. The organization also participated in Greek Week and Homecoming. This past year, the members won the National Foundation Award for best alumni relations of any Pi Kap chapter in the United States. The group also was recognized for the best philanthropy on campus in 1997. In the spring of 1997, the Pi Kaps presented a book and lamp of knowledge statue to the University which was placed in the Sunken Garden.

Members of Pi Kappa Phi participate in a "trust fall," an ice-breaking exercise at Camp ASCAA. The brothers met other Pi Kaps from around the United States and volunteered their spring breaks to build handicapped-accessible items at a camp specially designed for those with disabilities. Pi Kaps also participated in the Journey of Hope, a bike tour to benefit PUSH.



Phi Sigma Kappa president James Kinney helps a local youth fish for a surprise at a Halloween carnival at the Thompson Campus Center. Kids from around Kirksville came to play games and win prizes and candy.



Senior Matt Richards participates in the Phi Sigma Kappa Casino Night Rush event. Members also donated time to the Jump Rope for Heart charity.



Row 1: Mike Lewis-inductor, Steve Weng-treasurer, Matt Houser-vice president, James Kinney-president, Andy House-corresponding secretary, Nathan Brewer-sentinel, Mike Luigs. Row 2: Tim Fortner, Chad Morales, Sean Beste, Matthew Richards, David Piant, Jesse Crews, Mike Mueller. Row 3: Matthew Franklin, Stephen Ira, Jason Monteleone, Steven Hamer, Tim Rupp, Michael Powers, Gary Cunningham. Row 4: Scott Umphenour, Steven Davis, Ken Webb, Brandon Kieper, Matthew Cole, Brian Stremlau.

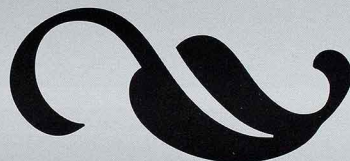


Row 1: John Sebben-historian, Tim O'Brien-recording treasurer, Craig Nielsen-collecting treasurer, Tim Sedovic-archon, Damon Hays-secretary, Matthew Goyer chaplain, Tim Taylor-adviser. Row 2: Mark Mueller-pledge educator, Brian Waters, John Burns, Nathan Miller, Bill Ward, Matthew Campbell, Brent Heckart, Garrick Hamilton, Garth Erikson-vice president. Row 3: Joe Clemmer, Tim Phelan, Mason Klippel, James Souser, Ben Aranda, Scott Simmons, Justin Andrews, David Pennington, Douglas Barth. Row 4: Joseph Morgan, Chris Flieger, Matthew Pulliam, Vinnie Wroughton, Robert Duffy, Charles Northrup, Joseph Bieser.



Row 1: Kurtis Suellentrop, Joshua Wombacher, Jared McKinney, Ben Joseph, Robb Richmiller, Justin Pottorff, John Challis. Row 2: Kevin Murray, Brian Graham, Andy Quinn III, David M. Solovitz, Samuel E. Nau, John Hemminghaus, Stephen R. Schneider. Row 3: Scott Richmond, Gavin Brady, Jamie Goodwin, Jason Bruer, Jason Saucier, David Grone, Bryan Dopuch. Row 4: Justin Thomas, Michael Heeley, Kevin O'Grady, Dennis Kettler, Erik Presnell, Jon Rhode.

Phi Sigma Kappa



Pi Kappa Phi



Members of Pi Kappa Phi build a handicapped-accessible walkway at Camp ASCAA at Lake Martin in Alabama. Members of the Delta Delta chapter participated in the Gear Up Florida cycling event to spread the message of PUSH America. (photo submitted)

The women of Sigma Chi Delta local social sorority consisted of 55 members. It had the highest all-sorority pledge grade point average in the fall. Its purpose was to bring together individuals from diverse backgrounds to form a strong sisterhood through social, spiritual and intellectual interaction. The group supported the Northeast Missouri Community Action Agency. It participated in Homecoming and Greek Week activities.

The Xi Alpha chapter of Sigma Lambda Beta had seven members. Its motto was "Opportunity for wisdom, wisdom for culture." It was the first Latino fraternity in Missouri. Sigma Lambda Beta took members throughout the year. Members were required to keep a 2.5 GPA. The group was very involved in helping others, especially Latino Americans. It helped with

The Alpha Alpha chapter of Sigma Lambda Gamma Latino social sorority, the only one in Missouri, celebrated its first official year on campus. The sorority followed the five principles of academics, cultural awareness, community service, morals and ethics and social interaction. The sorority supported Victim Support Services, and its members went to Twin Pines each week to play cards with the residents. The members participated in Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month, Homecoming and Greek Week step shows. The chapter had the highest fall GPA of any Sigma Lambda chapter in the country.



Row 1: Erin Sherry, Rebecca Jannin-treasurer, Linda Elbert-secretary, Amy Tanner-president, Jessica Schaefer-vice president, Paige Riggencath, Crystal Williams. **Row 2:** Janine Duncanson, Jennifer Schlicht-historian, Cara Mueller, Elizabeth Wilson, Samantha McGrievy, Marja Ricci, Julie Whitley, Ellen Diedrichsen. **Row 3:** Sara Williams, Airm Shull, Lisa Mues, Jessica Harper, Nicole Yanick, Heidy Willford, Kelly Johnson. **Row 4:** Denys Freyling, Casey Henrichs, Melissa Caffill, Jenny Ballew, Kim Kovash.

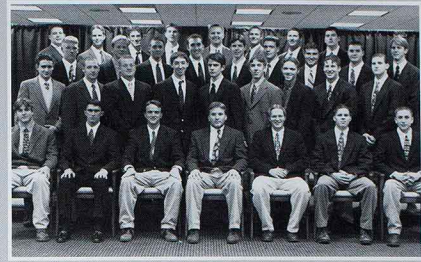


Row 1: Cyndi Ott, Joy Hutcherson, Laura Hrabar, Stephanie Hoffman, Sarah Brown, Tracy Piland, Kimberly Zimmer. **Row 2:** Melanie Jones, Angie Bivnerise, Caryn Stahlschmidt, Julie Sigel, Becca Shabel, Trisha Wigginton, Susan Senger. **Row 3:** Kelly Campbell, Marcie Craig, Kerry Scott, Andrea Benton, Molly Roos, Krista Witowski.

Sigma Phi Epsilon



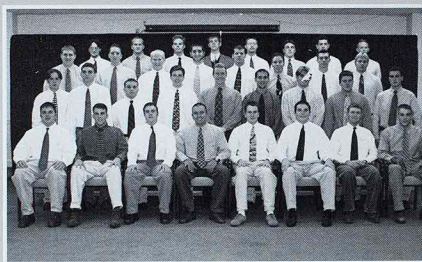
Row 1: Bradley LaConte, Don Fritz-IPC representative, Sean Auchenbach-vice president of recruitment, Matthew Strohschein-president, Mark Mower-vice president of programming, Kevin Kovacic-assistant vice president of finance, Kevin Fountain-secretary. **Row 2:** Kurt Sherwood, Matt Reynolds, Nathan Barr, Matt Carroll, Brian Hey, Matt Long, Thomas Winkler, Michael Leatherman, Aaron Aversman. **Row 3:** Aaron Huckstep, Matthew Templeton, Louis Meyer, Chris Moore, Phil Kirkpatrick, Dave Sanford, Steve Bredenkoetter, Michael Devereux. **Row 4:** Shawn Waldrop, Jason Ayres, T. J. Dube, Eric Stockland, Doug Verby, Tom Reiter, Mike Wilder.



Row 1: Chris O'Neal, Michael DuBois, Scott Wheatley, Nathan Graves, Lee Letourneau, Chris Minnis-campus involvement, Brad Neal. **Row 2:** Bernardo Hernandez, Jason Mueller, Robert Tucker, Dave Fuller, Kurt Scafers, Brad Schottel, Alan Doty, Brian Peeters, Doug Pytllinski. **Row 3:** Todd Birkenholz, Don Broekelmann, Brian Winkler, Mike Bokermann, Dave Carlton, Matt Franker, Michael Varrone, Eric Miller, Ian Smith. **Row 4:** Kelly Waterman, Jared Havskins, Samuel Merritt, Michael Roth, Matthew Stack, Matther Mower, Matt Trego, Joshua Burgdorf.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

Sigma Tau Gamma



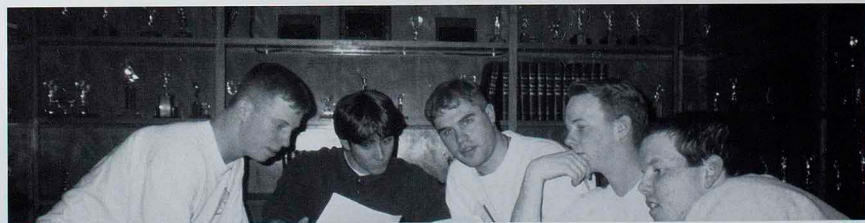
Row 1: Toby Ross, Matthew Adam, Scott Selair, Jason Heeren, Matt Jones, Scott Hacker, Andy Chiodini, Tyler Stephens. **Row 2:** Bryan Traughber, Ryan Sedlak, Brad Wilkes, Craig Rich, Scott Mills, Adam Allmon, Andrew Roth, Justin Gunderson, Brian Chirco. **Row 3:** John Koeller, Joseph O'Coin, Wesley Sweeney, Brandt McCarville, Brett Bohon, Steve Park, Gerard Giacomarra, Justin Fears. **Row 4:** Matthew Barnhart, James Hayslett, Jacob Utterback, Matthew Swickhamer, Chancie Adams, Vincent Redman, Chistoph Stohmayer, Edward Whiteside.



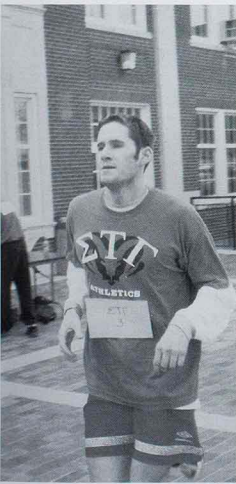
Row 1: Alan Hillier, Jeffery Shine, Tyler Mark-membership, Thomas Murphy-president, Jim Lorenz-programs, Ryan VanDeCar-vice president, Kevin Page-finance, Andrew Dickinson-chaplin. **Row 2:** Jeremy Moore, Chad Moore, Chris Urban, Eric Becks, Jim George, Craig Tushaus, Neil Ferguson. **Row 3:** Mike Schickler, Chadd Zimmerman, Geoffrey Newcomb, Matt Heeren, Shawn Sullivan, Mike Hoskovec, Ben Muccigrosso. **Row 4:** John Shepard, Adam Biggs, Jason Tiemann, Jeffrey Wolf, Paul Mueller, Benjamin Pritchett, Mark Pfeiffer.

Sigma Tau Gamma

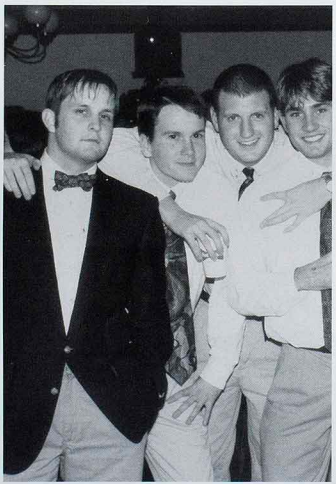
The men of Sigma Tau Gamma social fraternity spend time studying in the chapter's library. The fraternity spent many hours improving its academic standing and contributing to the community throughout the year through various service projects. (photo submitted)



Sophomores Jennifer Mazi, Kevin Laune and Jennifer Sajevic strike the famous "Charlie's Angels" pose during Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and Delta Zeta social sorority's "Oh, the Places You'll Go" Homecoming skit. The Sig Eps showed they were versatile actors later on in the year when along with Sigma Kappa social sorority, they took first place in the Lakeside Revue. (photo by Josh Adams)



Sophomore Matt Gervase represents Sigm Tau Gamma during the Greek Week run. (photo submitted)



The men of Sigma Tau Gamma social fraternity take time from their dates to enjoy themselves at their winter formal. (photo submitted)

... YOUR HONOR through a Greek organization.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

The 130 members of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity worked to achieve a balance in academics, athletics and personality. The Sig Eps supported many philanthropies. They raised money for the American Heart Association, where they raised the most money of any group in Kirksville. The members of Sig Ep also did volunteer work for the United Way. Each year, the fraternity sponsored and participated in the Vince Lukowski Walk. Lukowski was a Sig Ep who became paraplegic in the early 1990s as a result of a car accident. The members took donations for each mile they walked from Kirksville to Hannibal.

The Sig Eps took first place for Lakeside Revue with Sigma Kappa social sorority. They also participated in Greek Week and Homecoming and were a strong contender to win intramurals. Members attended the Carlson Leadership Academy, the Sig Ep regional conference. They received several awards from their national fraternity which included the Winner's Circle Award, the Dean's List, Plus Five Recruitment Challenge Award, the Zollinger Outstanding Senior Award and the Manpower Excellence Award.

Sigma Tau Gamma

Sigma Tau Gamma social fraternity had 97 members who were active both on and off campus. It participated in "Walk From Here to There in Underwear" for the Northeast Association for Citizens with Disabilities. The group walked 15 miles out of town in boxer shorts to raise money for the NACD. The Sig Taus also supported American Red Cross, American Cancer Society and sponsored a book drive for Books for Kids. They also provided the Halloween Safe House for kids. The group participated in Homecoming and Greek Week activities. The Sig Taus won several awards including Best Philanthropy, Best Greek Men on Campus, Best Leadership on Campus and Best Chapter on Campus.

Sigma Sigma Sigma



Row 1: Abby Adams, Rebekah Levin, Whitney Goyer, Nikki Ziske, Elizabeth Ebeling, Shana Strating, Leslie Miles. **Row 2:** Sara Limbaugh, Megan Edwards, Amy Lessmann, Erica Laws, Susan Bach, Beth Schneider, Taryn Flandreau, Jen Wichman, Lisa Walker. **Row 3:** Rachel Levin, Nichole Hoelscher, Abby Moore, Joy Jackson, Holly Harrell, Mickie Bert, Kathy Hechst, Kirsta Bradford, Melissa Howe, Karissa Tanel. **Row 4:** Jenny LaSka, Kelly Koboldt, Katie Hill, Mary Sprague, Chris Pesout, Jen Skalski, Kristen Estes, Emily Spencer.



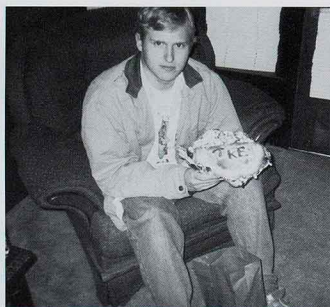
Row 1: Alex Lumaghi-chaplain, Pete Moore-sergeant-at-arms, Dakin Dugan-historian, Juan Cuevas-president, Brian Berger-service president, Ben Dummitt-secretary, Joe Selby-treasurer. **Row 2:** David DeBlanc, Jon Nones, Scott Morton, Ryan Mountain, Kevin Gaus, Tim Simms, Chris Wolf, Chip Henrich.

A black and white photograph of a group of cheerleaders in white uniforms, holding balloons and a banner, cheering enthusiastically.

Junior Carrie Riefstahl of Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority teeter-totters in front of McClain Hall in a fund raiser with Alpha Kappa Lambda social fraternity to benefit Jeffrey Damerall. Damerall was an AKL who was diagnosed with spinal meningitis in the fall of 1997. Tri Sigma's 115 members also participated in Greek Week and Homecoming, where it won third place in the float competition. (photo by Josh Adams)



Junior Becky Brunns of Sigma Sigma Sigma hugs her sorority sister at the Yell-In for fall rush. Rushees accepted bids for sororities at the Yell-In. (photo by Tina Patel)



Sophomore Alex Lumaghi shows off his unique ronzza from Pagliai's Pizza. The men of Tau Kappa Epsilon worked at strengthening their social bond by taking it easy and hanging out at their house. (photo submitted)

... LIFETIME FRIENDSHIPS

through a Greek organization.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority reached its full capacity with 115 members. The sorority's creed was "Faithful unto death." The sorority sponsored several philanthropies throughout the year including Jump for Robbie in March to benefit the national Tri-Sigma president's son. The Robbie Page Memorial, located in Chapel Hill, N.C., was set up to provide toys and other items for children recovering from surgery. The sorority also sponsored Bagels in Bed to raise money for Robbie. The bagels were purchased at the St. Louis Bread Co., in Columbia, Mo., and could be purchased by students during a week-long period and then delivered to friends on Saturday morning. Tri Sigma also teeter-tottered in front of McClain Hall to raise money for Jeffrey Damerall, an Alpha Kappa Lambda who was diagnosed with spinal meningitis in the fall of 1997. Tri Sigma participated in Greek Week and Homecoming, where the sorority took third place in the float competition. The chapter won the Chapter Excellence Award for the best Tri-Sigma chapter in the nation.

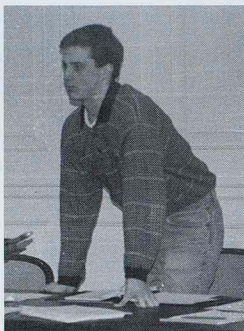
Tau Kappa Epsilon

The Iota Gamma chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity was small in numbers, but strong in originality. The TKEs had been on campus since 1962. The group prided itself on its individuality and mixture of personalities. The TKE's mission was to improve the scholastic and moral depth of its members while having fun. The fraternity participated in Lakeside Revue, Homecoming and Greek Week. On April 18, the TKEs co-sponsored the Special Olympics, its national philanthropy, at Stokes Stadium. Special Olympics allowed area athletes with disabilities the opportunity to participate in Olympic-type games. The chapter was one of four TKE chapters in the country recognized for performance and achievement for its work with the Special Olympics. On April 4, it hosted a TKE party at Theta Psi for other TKE chapters from across the region.

Senior Jason Beckfield, Student Senate treasurer, checks off a student's name during fall Student Senate elections. (photo by Lauren Medley)



Junior Matt Davis explains the process by which organizations can receive money from the Funds Allotment Council. (photo by Josh Adams)



Freshman Andrea Isbell, sophomores Eddie Pierce and Taneesha Dobyne and senior Erik Nelson pose for the camera as the Ebony Essence royalty court. Isbell and Pierce were named Ebony Essence prince and princess while Dobyne and Nelson were named king and queen. Ebony Essence, a semi-formal sponsored by the Association of Black Collegians, occurred during Homcoming. ABC provided many intellectual and social events for its members throughout the year. (photo submitted)

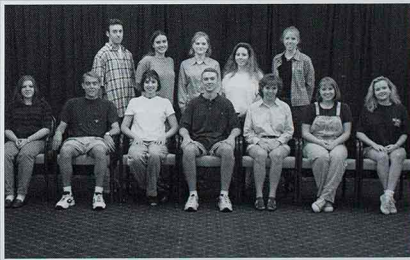


Association of Black Collegians



Row1: Imeni Tolson, William Clark-treasurer, Taneesha Dobyne-president, Natanya Brown-vice president, April Howard-recording secretary. **Row 2:** Samara Russell, Kendra Gardiner, Franchesca Little, Carla Ezell. **Row 3:** Kandile McFerren, Kenneth Martin, Kimberley Joseph.

College Democrats



Row1: Jennifer Sieh, David Bader, Bekka Meyer-vice president, Luke McFarland-president, Meghan McCormick-secretary, Meg Hildenbrandt, Ellen Baldi. **Row 2:** Erik Moore, Stacey Irwin, Jean Anne Cauwenbergh, Jennifer Ice, Heather Fester.

Freshmen Chancie Adams and Wes Sweet listen carefully to voting instructions during Student Senate elections. Fall elections were held to fill freshmen seats and vacancies not filled in the spring. (photo by Lauren Medley)



...TO LEAD YOUR PEERS through student government.

Association of Black Collegians

The Association of Black Collegians was a political organization on campus for minorities. ABC was open to anyone interested in minority issues. The 30 members sponsored political forums and debates. The group had a semi-formal dance during Homecoming and other social events. The group published a newsletter "The Voice" and considered itself the "Black Voice."

College Democrats

College Democrats informed students of the Democratic Party platform and encouraged students to get involved in politics and voting, especially at the local level. College Democrats had about 40 members and was open to all students. Several politicians representing the Democratic Party spoke to the group throughout the year, including Senator Joe Maxwell. The group sponsored Truman Democrat Week in February.

Funds Allotment Council

The Funds Allotment Council provided financial resources for campus organizations wanting to sponsor events. Organizations could apply for funds for specific events. FAC reviewed the applications and decided which events would be most beneficial to students. It provided funding for activities such as the International Student Dinner, Renaissance Fair, Earth Week and the Monitor.

Student Senate

The 40 members of Student Senate were either appointed or elected by the student body. Elections were held in the spring for returning students; incoming students were elected in the fall. Each senator was part of at least one Senate committee. Senate approved the FAC slate each semester and reviewed campus policies. Its Outreach program put a senator in contact with interested organizations.

Funds Allotment Council



Row 1: Kari Jo Kleinhans-adviser, Laura Reimer-secretary, Erica Lozano, Annie Hoyt. Row 2: Matt Davis-chairperson, Sebastian Schnellbacher-treasurer, Kyle Fieleke.



Student Senate

Row 1: Ken Hussey, Tom Osgood, Matthew Braun-student representative to the Board of Governors, Kirk McCarty-president, Lisa Kays-vice president, Mike Heckman-parliamentarian, Cara Cochran, Erik Moore. Row 2: Meghan McCormick, Jessica Neighbors, Summer Johnson, Connie Kovach, Kelly Anthony, Renee Robinett, Olga Brady. Row 3: Kimberly Ratliff, Summer Dorsey, Troy Rahmig, Jeremiah Finn, Michael DuBois, Michael Daming, John Wickline.

... TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN through recreation and sports.

Explorer Post 403

Explorer Post 403 planned many outdoor activities. President Shelly Yaeger stressed that the group was for anybody that loved the outdoors. It was affiliated with the Boy Scouts, but was for anyone of any age or gender. The Post participated in float trips, caving, rock climbing and took a backpacking trip over spring break to Colorado to explore the Rocky Mountains.

High Street Dancers

The High Street Dancers had performed for the student body since 1990. The women performed their routines at Truman's sporting events, the Lakeside Revue and Homecoming. In addition, the women performed at local churches and schools. The team took a risk with costuming this year and bought silver tops with matching silver spandex shorts. In the spring of 1997, the group received first place in the Showbiz dancing competition in Illinois. They also performed at Walt Disney World's Magic Music Days during Christmas vacation. To finance the expensive trip, the team held fundraisers and asked for corporate sponsors.

Iguana's Paintball Club

The Iguana's Paintball Club consisted of 16 members. The club initially formed in the 1994 fall semester in order to compete with other Universities. Since its beginning, though, the club had simply focused on having fun. The organization was created by students coming together who shared the same interests to play paintball. The members regularly competed at Maverick's just outside of Kirksville by the Northeast Regional Airport.

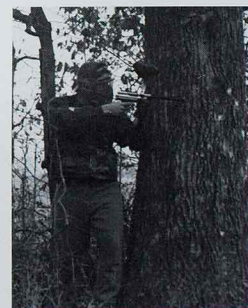
Racquetball Club

The Racquetball Club, founded in the spring of 1997, consisted of 23 student and faculty members. The club catered to the racquetball needs of the entire student body. The organization was not limited to just its members, but also organized tournaments for the entire campus. The group tried to introduce the sport to campus.

Laying in wait for their prey, two Iguana's Paintball members enjoy the thrill of the hunt. On Nov. 23 the Paintball Club ventured to Maverick's by Northeast Regional Airport which they often used as their battlefield. The Paintball Club got together regularly to relieve stress through simulating war. (photo submitted)



Members of Explorer Post 403 enjoy a picnic lunch during a camping trip in the fall. The big trip of the year was over Spring Break when they ventured through the Rocky Mountains outside of Denver. (photo submitted)



In the silence of the woods, an Iguana's Paintball Club member takes aim at the enemy. The game lasted from early morning until sunset. (photo submitted).



Row 1: Marissa Clickner, Jennifer Ferguson-secretary, Kara Wilcox-treasurer, Shelly Yaeger-president, Ben Anderson-vice president, Cindi Lanners, Laurie Wager. **Row 2:** Shelley Mundhenk, Michelle Tyler, Melissa Mayo, Hayley Henrikson, Amy Urban, Ken Lederle, Matt Richter. **Row 3:** Emily DeBaene, Stephanie Noll, Peggy Luensmann, Chuck Ledgerwood, Paul Stock, Paul Winkler.



Row 1: Cindi Lanners, Andrae Naraine, Marcia Mullins, Nate Byrnes-president, Travis Oglesby-vice president, Kevin Alexander, Caroline Woods. **Row 2:** Doug Eisele, Sean Akers, Jason A. Burns, Greg Trotts, Dustin McMahon, Richard W. Goetze Jr., Lucas Gotta, Anthony Perkins.



Row 1: Andrea Mueller, Paula Aguilar, Amanda Guellar-co-captain, Laura Hoffman-secretary, Joanne Amelung-co-captain, Sarah Barlar, Elissa Ford. **Row 2:** Mary Johnston, Brooke Jambor, Simone Bieber, Rachel McCarty, Pamela Dangremont, Renee Mauley Markowski, Merina Foster, Kelly Angstrom, Shelise Gieseke, Kelly Bliley.



Row 1: Carey Michentfelder, Jeremy Loscheider-vice president, Aaron D. Winkler-president, Sana Qalbani, Ashley Jacquin, Kimberly Urish-Runyon. **Row 2:** Joanna Boyd, Tricia Kammerer, Marlo Galli, Leslie Miles, Charlie Hinderliter, Dale Cameron, Laura Meirehoff, Katherine Grounsnick. **Row 3:** Laura Trump, Michael Cone, Sean Krouse, Joshua Boehme, Jacob Orrison, Brandon Lemons.



Kicking their heels up, the High Street Dancers bring a little life to the Homecoming parade. The dance squad emphasized competition and style throughout their performances. The group proved it was true when they competed in Orlando, Fla. (photo by Hemal Patel)

... A NON-TRADITIONAL ACTIVITY

through recreation and sports.

Shotokan Karate Club

The Shotokan Karate Club taught traditional Shotokan karate for the purpose of physical conditioning, mental awareness and self defense. The club was instructed by graduate Martin Boonkham. The club, consisting of 17 members, had been in practice since 1991. The Shotokan Karate Club was formed because of its rarity of being offered in the surrounding communities.

Showgirls

The Showgirls, a 14-member dancing organization, had been dedicated to meeting the entertainment needs of the student body since 1986. Throughout the year, the Showgirls performed their routines at football and basketball games. They also performed during campus events such as Homecoming and Lakeside Revue. During the summer, the Showgirls attended a Universal Dance Association (UDA) camp in Milwaukee. The women spent an intense week in which they were evaluated and received a superior trophy for their outstanding performance. The Showgirls were led by co-captains Samantha Wilson and Sally Walz.

University Swingers

The University Swingers helped to teach newcomers the art of ballroom and social dancing with a focus on the swing. It also emphasized the Waltz, Tango, Cha-Cha and other ballroom dances. The group met weekly to practice new dances. The Performance Group, formed by audition only, participated in Homecoming and the Lakeside Revue. The group also held its own dances throughout the year.

Showing off a new move, graduate Jay Terwilliger and junior Julia Hempel add a little flare to their dance routine. Swing dancing was just one type of dancing practiced and performed by the University Swingers. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Shotokan Karate Club



Row1: Jeremy Ariskell, Souichi Tokahahi-secretary, Martin Boonkham-head instructor, Matthew Alexander-president, Andy Kuhlmann-vice president. Row 2: Elizabeth Green, Melissa McIntyre, Michael Stelmar, Eric Iji, Nathan Detrick.

The Showgirls



Row1: Spike, Simon. Row 2: Michelle Pavlak, Julie Fridlington, Amy Clark, Angie Martin-secretary, Lisa Butler, Emily Fridlington. Row 3: Sally Walz-co-captain, Meegan Lamb, Amanda Cox, Cathy Sanders, Sami Wilson-co-captain, Jessica Brand, Tiffany Thrasher, Jill Sebastiao.

The Showgirls end their routine with smiles and a positive attitude as they help cheer the Bulldogs onto a successful second half. During home football games, the Showgirls performed their routines to the Gambler Marching Band's music. Football games were just part of their responsibility throughout the year. The squad also cheered at basketball games and competed in several competitions throughout the season. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Freshman Melanie Kramer sweeps freshman Scott McMillan off his feet during a Swingers practice. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Dancing is not the only thing The Showgirls do, as freshman Tiffany Thrasher helps lead a cheer. (photo by Hemal Patel)

University Swingers



Row 1: Paul Stock, Sebastian Schnellbacher-treasurer, Scott Hutcheson-co-president, Anne Pagenstecher-co-president, Angie Zahner-special events coordinator, Kelly Jones-historian/secretary, John Halski. **Row 2:** Josh Johnston, Valerie Flury, Kenneth Hendricks, Monica Morris, Ben Millett, Joshua Boehme, Michael McCullough. **Row 3:** Mark Guirguis, Vincent Smith, Shawn Gilmore, Melanie Kramer, Oksana Rapsun. **Row 4:** Josh Zimmerman, Scott McMillan, Jeremy Thomas, Sally Lucas, Tim Suddarth.

University Swingers



Row 1: Nathan Personett, Libby Malone, Catherine Clamp, Suzanne Berry, Daniel Stites, Sarah Gordon, Holly Jones. **Row 2:** Jim Bonucchi, Stacy Thomas, Shelley Mundhenk, Adrienne Smith, Ann Miller. **Row 3:** Tricia Mason, Svetlana Chigayeva, Sarah Bowerman, Rebecca French, Laurie Wager.

Detours--magazine



Row 1: Elizabeth Kelly, Gina LaFata, Jacinda Hammons. **Row 2:** Angie Bowers, Kate Strobel, Cindy McCabe. **Row 3:** Emily McCluhan, Elaine Lillquist, Dane Stangler. **Row 4:** Aaron Manfull, Adam Gebhardt, Amy Sanders.

Index--newspaper



Row 1: Eric Eckert-sports editor, Amber Willard-news editor, Sandy Gulotta-opinions editor, James Hart-editor in chief, Jocelyn Auckly-managing editor, Mary Ziegler-photo editor, Heather Kuhn-advertising manager. **Row 2:** Joe Chierek, Kris Schulze-assistant sports editor, Nathan Beyer-online editor, Elizabeth Kelly-assistant news editor, Amy DeHart, Alyssa Conine, Chandra Lim, Dave Gragg, Michele Allen. **Row 3:** Lizzie Schuerman, Jill Hollister, Emily Sides, Amy Therrien-assistant online editor, Sara Sullivan, Becca Svuba, James Roach. **Row 4:** Jason Tyler, Catherine Pezold, Katie Riley, Steve Wang.



Row 1: Jennifer Baumann-organizations editor, Stephanie Brenneke-people editor, Hemal Patel-photo editor, Jen Adams-assistant editor, Jennifer Odefey-editor in chief, Jill Snitker-copy editor, Jeremy Early-sports editor, Christina Paulsell-ads manager. **Row 2:** Katie Svoboda-academics editor, Carey Michenfelder, Brigid Gutting, Kelly Limbrick, Kelly Levins, Tina Anshus, Megan Delaney. **Row 3:** Kate Koenig-student life/academics editor, Sarah Brown, Laura Hrabar, Merina Foster, Heather Adams, Cheri Heiser, Janine Hall. **Row 4:** Tim Fortner, Ryan Emmett, Amy Luzynski, Josh Adams, Eric Staub.



Row 1: Robert DeGraffenreid, Andrew Kuhlmann, Jon Fitzsimmons-promotion director(fall), Todd Kuhns-news director, Joe Klug-music director(fall), Laura Marlin-chief announcer/sports director, Will Robinette-program manager, Mary Ziegler. **Row 2:** Sarah Shmigelsky, Amber Willard, Jill Snitker, Tracy Piland, Nao Inoue. **Row 3:** Becky Owens, Keith Bozler, Eric Eckert, Tim Suddarth, Harry Harris, Amanda Bunyard.

A group of *Echo* and *Index* staff members smile in front of a miniature Eiffel Tower while in Chicago. While not in convention sessions or talking to journalism professionals, media staffers spent time being tourists visiting Lake Michigan and "The Jenny Jones Show." (photo by Josh Adams)



Sophomore Timothy Suddarth broadcasts over the air waves of KTRM. The radio station went on the air Feb. 10 and broadcasted every day from 2 p.m. to midnight. Disc jockeys were all students, and they typically worked hour-long shifts. (photo by Chandra Lim)



... TO BE HEARD through the media.

Detours--magazine

Detours magazine focused on travel in Missouri, Illinois and Iowa. The two-year-old publication came out three times during the year. A staff of about 20 members worked on putting out the magazine. It sold for \$3.50.

Echo--yearbook

The *Echo* yearbook staff continued its publication tradition as it worked to produce the 97th issue. A staff of 27 members worked in several areas to put the book together. The yearbook was distributed in the fall of each year. The 1997 yearbook received a first place award from the American Scholastic Press Association.

Index--newspaper

The *Index* was a student newspaper published weekly on Thursdays. With a staff of 33 people, the *Index* won the NCP Pacemaker Award for best weekly newspaper. The *Index* staff could often be found working into the early hours of the morning to get the paper to press on time.

KTRM--campus radio

KTRM was formally known as KNEU, but when the campus radio station purchased a transmitter, it changed its call letters. The station went on air at 88.7 FM on Feb. 10. Before then, The Edge could be heard over 102.1 FM cable. KTRM transmitted its alternative format from 2 p.m. to midnight throughout the week.

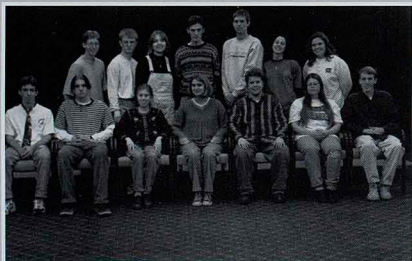
The Monitor--alternative newspaper

The Monitor was the alternative newspaper. It was funded by the Funds Allotment Council and by advertising sales. The paper was started in April 1995 as a place where students could exchange ideas free of University disapproval.

Windfall--literary magazine

Windfall was an annual literary magazine that provided students with the opportunity to publish poetry, short stories, photography and art. Approximately 15 people worked to produce the *Windfall* and distribute it in the spring.

The Monitor--alternative newspaper



Row 1: Matt Siemer, Tom Wheatley, Maggie Thurman-editor, Jill Goodheart-editor, Adam Potthast-editor, Stephanie Curtis, Dave Heaton. Row 2: Shawn Gilmore, Matt Webber, Erin Hucke, John Olejarczyk, Andrew Mullen, Krissy Vogel, Leslie Graff.

Windfall--literary magazine

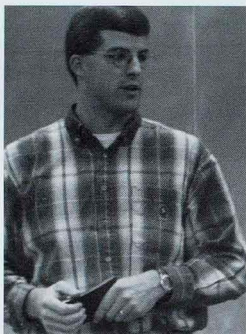


Row 1: Sarah Dennis, Brie Cantrell, Sally Lucas-assistant editor, Shalyn Claggett-editor, Jean Stelzer, Caroline Woods, Gabrielle Gordon. Row 2: Lane Butler, Hannah Lucas, Lucy Canessa, Cayce French, Christy Cupples.

Seniors Tom Lancaster and Alysa Miller dye a shirt at the Alpha Chi Sigma Tie Dye Day. The group showed chemistry could be fun.



Accounting Club guest speaker Robert Bradley talks seriously about his career as an internal auditor for Pella Corporation. The club had several speakers.



Smiling proudly and displaying their tie-dyed creations are sophomores April Kelner and Lindsey Livingston. The American Chemical Society sponsored the annual Tie-Dye Day as a way to show students that chemistry could be fun and interesting. Students could buy the cotton T-shirts from the group or could supply their own. Different techniques and color schemes were demonstrated.



Accounting Club



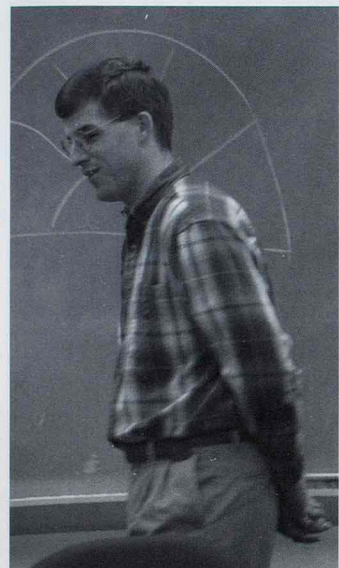
Row 1: Angela Schmitz, Tim Beffa-BSEC, Deanna Dieckmann-secretary, Amy Reisenbichler-parliamentarian, Rebecca Jannin-president, Nancy Haney-treasurer, Meredith Manley. **Row 2:** Joanna Boyd, Kristen Hughes, Mary Brandis, Beth McCurdy, Julia Mast, Teresa Chandler, Deena Wiss, Stephanie Moffett.

Actuarial Science CI



Row 1: James Guffey-faculty sponsor, Brian Stone, Cory Mulvill-vice president, Ann Herberholt- president, Christine Stone, Leah Kolchinsky, Karen VanCleave.

Sharing his opinion on the business world, Robert Bradley talks to the Accounting Club. The Accounting Club regularly brought in speakers so its members could gain practical information about life after college. (photos by Tina Patel)



... A STRENGTH through professional organizations

Accounting Club

The Accounting Club, consisting of 35 members, celebrated its 30th year anniversary. The purpose of the club was to promote awareness and educate students, faculty and the public about the accounting profession. It also promoted leadership opportunities and unity among the students of accountancy. The group's community service included helping with VITA tax, a voluntary tax-assistant program.

Actuarial Science Club

Actuarial Science, the science of statistics, was a small and new club. The group consisted of 13 members and was started in the 1991-92 school year by the math department. It held regular meetings, toured General American, brought in speakers and sponsored numerous trips. The group focused on discussing changes on the

standardized actuarial exams.

Alpha Chi Sigma

Alpha Chi Sigma, the chemistry fraternity, had 52 active members and 12 pledges. Its purpose was to advance chemistry, help members and build friendships. The fraternity, which started in 1985, sponsored Tie-Dye Day, a Girl Scout Badge Day, magic shows for area schools and organizations and tutoring for its members.

American Chemical Society

The American Chemical Society, a group of about 15 members, was a collegiate branch of the Professional American Chemical Society. It was responsible for bringing chemistry professors and industry representatives to campus to meet with students and present recent research. The group sponsored National Chemistry Week and various magic shows.

Alpha Chi Sigma



Row 1: Fiona Alexander-recorder, Becky AuBuchon-alumni secretary, Jason Gruenhagen-vice master alchemist, Tracy Kelly-master alchemist, Michael Wyzlic-master of ceremonies, Brian Engel-treasurer, Jason Jones-reporter. **Row 2:** Monica Blackmon, Rebecca Otte, Liesel Breck, Kerry Hymes, Skylar Martin, Jennifer Gooch, Mindy Gunn, Caryn Stahlschmidt, Amy Tramel. **Row 3:** Megan Roadman, Kate Cunniff, Natasha Carter, Jill Mullarkey, Michael Ortwerth-adviser, Janel Neulinger, Matthew Schaefer, Samila Mihindukulasuri, Theresa Eggleston. **Row 4:** Nathan Brewer, Christopher Marstall, Ryan Wilson, Garrett Slaton, Andy Carpenter, Dennis Kopf, Tyler Borman, Justin McWilliams.

American Chemical Society



Row 1: Kerry Hymes, Becky AuBuchon, Jason Gruenhagen-treasurer, Tracy Kelly-secretary, Molly Delanty-vice president, Caryn Stahlschmidt, Amy Tramel. **Row 2:** Megan Roadman, Skylar Martin, Theresa Eggleston, Michael Wyzlic, Andy Carpenter.

... A REALITY through a professional organization.

American Marketing Association

The American Marketing Association aimed to further the professional development of students through leadership training and involvement in the field of marketing. Members focused on the aspect of a fun way to gain practical business experience and meet others in the same field. The organization typically brought in speakers from local businesses to learn more about the skills needed in the marketing world.

Association for Computing Machinery

The Association for Computing Machinery, consisting of 24 members, was just one student chapter in a national organization. The group sponsored Lego LOGO, where members of the local 4-H group connected Lego cars to a computer program and then learned how to move the cars electronically. It also sponsored a campus-wide World Wide Web contest design. It brought in Principle Financial Group from Des Moines to talk about internships and job opportunities for its members.

Business Administration Club

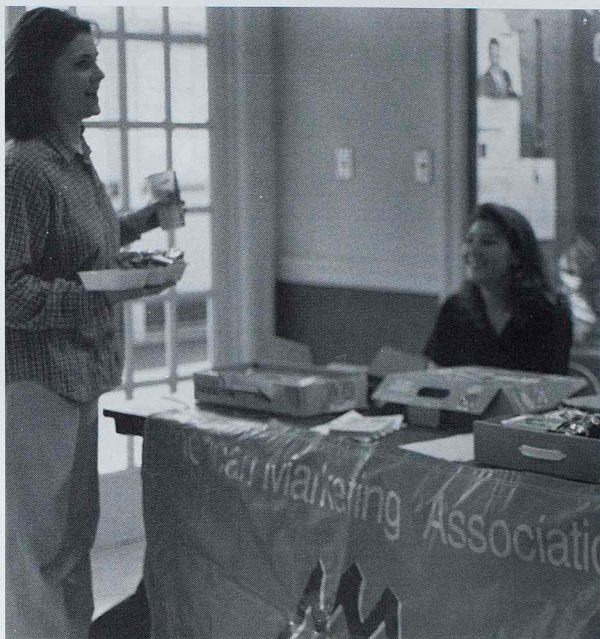
The Business Administration Club focused on three main areas throughout the year: social service, professional and fund-raising. Throughout the year, the group conducted programs under the three areas. It sponsored a street in the Adopt-A-Street program and brought in various speakers to benefit its members. It also participated in the Ryle Christmas Market. At the end of the year, the club held a banquet and elected new members.

Collegiate Music Educators

National Conference

The Collegiate Music Educators consisted of about 30 members. Most of the members were music majors, but the organization was open to anybody interested in music. The group promoted professional development by bringing in speakers related to music education. It also supported the growth of music education in Kirksville by helping with music recitals. The group also supported the Music In Schools month.

Senior Laura Beck works at selling senior Michelle McPherson some candy at the American Marketing Association fund raiser outside of Main Street in November. The fund raiser was an annual event held so the group could go to the national convention in Dallas. Fund-raising was a must for many smaller organizations on campus so that they could provide for their members' needs. (photo by Jill Snitker)



Senior Ryan Fish works at the Business Administration Club table at the Ryle Christmas Market Nov. 22. Crafts for the holiday season could be a wonderful fund raiser for small groups. The group sold coffee mugs filled with candy to make some money and to get the group's name into the community. (photo by Tina Patel)



Row1: Debi Cartwright-adviser, Carrie Wainwright-vice president of programs, Laura Beck-vice president of advertising and promotions, Brian Redders-president, Neil Copeland-vice president of communications, Heather Bollaert-vice president of finance and fund-raising, Michelle McPherson-vice president of membership. **Row2:** Kristi Goldsmith, Kendra McGraw, Jenny McGinnis, Nicole Bruemer, Kelli Lloyd, Cassie Oberhaus, Marcy Evitts, Kirsten Anderhuss, Krista Steinkamp, Sonia Davidson, Amy Weinberger. **Row3:** Michelle Lesley, Renee McCullar, Alecia Sutter, Abby Sielfleisch, Jeff Wagner, Marci Vencil, Sean Beste, Darin Wagner, Katie Vaughn.



Row1: Deanna Dieckman-president, Angela Brookshier-secretary, Elizabeth Zumwalt-vice president of fund-raising, Marcia Mullins-vice president of marketing, Ryan Fish-vice president of social/service, Kelli Lloyd, Yvone M. Winbush. **Row2:** Stefani Strangler, Mary Williams, Kevin Dooley, Erin Winfrey, Deborah Dillen.



Row1: Ryan Brush, Jerry Yoakum, Joe Bedard-secretary, Nathan Beyer-vice president, Amanda Mechlin-president, Kyle Radue-treasurer, Matt Scharnhorst. **Row2:** Tia Bartos, Amy Therrien, Nick Basteen, Eric Norige.



Row1: Holly Lynn Barr-president, Emily Linton-secretary, Christine Banaskavich, Katy Anselmo, Karen Luzader. **Row2:** Amanda Southard, Matthew Wilson, Marci Garner, Ken Lederle, Kimberlee Mastrangelo, Jennifer Arth.



Members of the Association for Computing Machinery play Doom. ACM sponsored a video game tournament for the lovers of the game Doom. The competition was held in the Student Union Building Down Under in September. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

... YOUR PATH

through a professional organization.

Communication Disorders Association

The Communication Disorders Association, a professional organization, covered both speech and hearing disorders. It provided information to its members concerning these fields. The organization brought in a different speaker for each of its bi-monthly meetings. It also participated in various activities throughout the year such as a bonfire and service projects.

Delta Sigma Pi

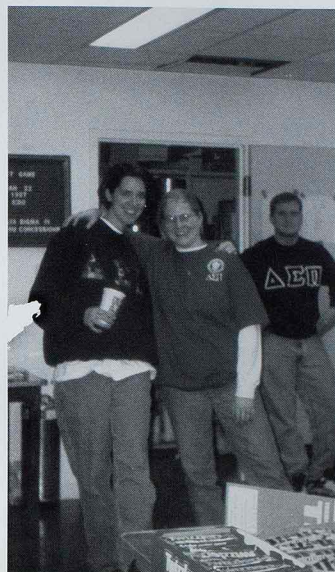
Delta Sigma Pi was a coed professional business fraternity made up of business, accounting and economic majors. The group encouraged professionalism by sponsoring speakers, touring businesses and sponsoring seminars. The seminars focused on subjects that would help the members in the business world, such as devel-

oping a powerful resume. Besides simply professional aspects, the organization was involved in community projects such as Pet the Puppies and playing bingo at Twin Pines.

Financial Management Association

The Financial Management Association's goals were to teach, inform and inspire students about the world of business and finance. It did this through promoting and sponsoring business-like activities. The 30-member group tutored students in finance classes and sponsored professional speakers. The organization went to Chicago for its annual trip to witness finance in a real-world setting. It interacted with other campus business organizations in activities and hoped to participate in an investment challenge.

Seniors Sarah Kitchen, Michelle Rohrer and Dan Thomasson take a break from the basketball concession stand run by Delta Sigma Pi members. Profits were split between the group and the University. (photo submitted)



Communication Disorders Association



Row 1: Emily Sides, Tina Marstall, Vickie Perrey-historian, Jennifer Allie-treasurer, Carolyn Pihir-president, Julie Terwelp-secretary, Adelle Willer-social chair, Diana Brayden. **Row 2:** Andrea Mueller, Michelle McCarty, Lori Sickmann, Julie Smith, Sarah Woods, Larissa Ball. **Row 3:** Patricia Hutchison, Lisa Odorizzi, Rachel Heidbreder, Michelle Calton, Julie Berron, Nikki Gary.

Delta Sigma Pi

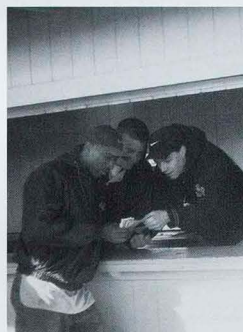


Row 1: Erin Tischer, Christa Rutledge-vice president for chapter operations, Onuka Ibe-senior vice president, Sarah Kitchen-president, Wayne Prichard-vice president for pledge education, Christy Pickett-vice president for professional activities, Rahil Calcuttawala. **Row 2:** Jothly Jacob, Cathy Sneathen, LaTricia Asbury, Tanya Reesor, Nancy Haney, Julia Mast, Sarah Corso, Erin Winfrey, Katie Gorec. **Row 3:** LeeAnn Hoff, Kim West, Leigh Cottingham, Kelly Burkemper, Kelly Jones, Michelle Rohrer, Elizabeth Fullington, Sarah Glosemeyer, Mandy Rieckeberg, Heather McClure. **Row 4:** Kim Klussman, Renee Wenger, Donna Patterson, Janine Duncanson, Susan Hein, Christy Burrus, Jessica Cinco, Luana Harris, Jodie Kisner.

Students teaching fellow students through a session known as Make and Take allows Communication Disorders students to learn new ways in which to implement effective therapy. Graduate student Jennifer Walz led this session which dealt with therapy through coloring. The Communication Disorders Association sponsors many activities such as Make and Take throughout the year. (photo submitted)



At the CODA officer initiation, senior Jennifer Allie tells about her favorite toy, earning a strike at the piñata. (photo submitted)



Seniors Onuka Ibe and Kolbey Nelson, and junior Dan Murphy count Delta Sigma Pi's profits. (photo submitted)

Delta Sigma Pi

Row 1: Jeffrey P. Spengemann, Stephen Allen-faculty adviser, Justin Leazer-treasurer, Brian Barnard-historian, John Thornbrugh-vice president for committee management, Leah Mathews-secretary, Jim Myers.
Row 2: Terry Grant, Kolbey Nelson, Brian Dull, Chris Graff, Christine Sheppard, Ross Chickering, Daniel Thomasson. **Row 3:** Ellee Plaas, Tom Beegle, Dan Murphy, Jennifer McDavid, Matt Sibbing, Fabian D. Breland.

Financial Management Association

Delta Sigma Pi

Row 1: Rick Emmett-vice president, Rob Stilley-president, Scott Bowling-treasurer, Craig Perrigo-vice president of fund-raising. **Row 2:** Jessica Schmitt, Amy K. Alber, Bazle Rahman, Lawrence Chui, Yusuke Shimizu.

Financial Management Association

National Education Association Student Program



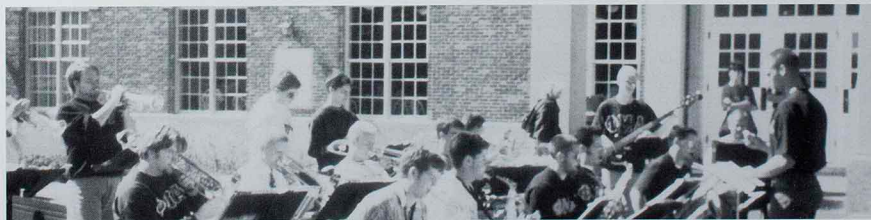
Row 1: Andrea Gervais-secretary/treasurer, Brandy Branson-vice president of membership, Carol Burkhardt-president, Beverly Vogt-vice president of programming, Jennifer Tadsen-historian. **Row 2:** Shannon McCarty, Jenny Blumenkamp, Stephanie Mohrman, Emily Gluesing, Courtney Rahn, Leanna Graham, Andria Kopp, Erica Duenow. **Row 3:** Lori Woehrer, Beth Koop, Amy Westrich, Kristie Oldfather, Katie Collier, Shawn Logan, Tim Deveney, John Neudecker.

Phi Beta Lambda



Row 1: Marcia Mullins-president, Nate Byrnes-vice president, Katie Weyforth-secretary, Jennifer Besand-treasurer, Rosalie Chen-historian, Kelly Pauls, Molly Trauernicht. **Row 2:** Amy Peterson, Rosemarie Schulte, Sara Denny, Jewelee Stoffle, Julie Merrell, Sarah Klein, Janae Leniley, Marci Vencil. **Row 3:** Rachel Uttech, Brett Shorts, Chris Moran, Scott Philippi, Travis Oglesby, Andrew Bikins.

The members of Phi Mu Alpha play a little jazz as a change of pace from the usual pre-recorded music on the Mall. The group hoped to gain interest in its annual jazz fest which was its main event each spring. (photo submitted)

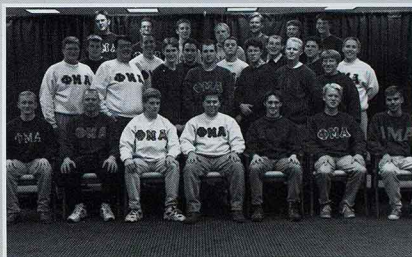


Nursing Students' Association



Row 1: Sherry Hartig, Katie Spiegel, Jessica Schaefer, Stacey Ggurich, Stefanie Gandy, Andrea Roberts, Amy Rogers, Melissa Lehmann, Paula Beavers. **Row 2:** Marissa Clickner, Krista Ridings-Witowski, Beth Passini-vice president, Brandi Pfaff-president, Felicia Karlin-treasurer, Cara Cochran-secretary, Sandra Schmidt. **Row 3:** Molly Dili, Patti Moran, Cara Schuette, Angela Snodgrass, Misty Collins, Andrea Earlywine, Kelly Hildebrandt, April Howard, Lisa Friederich, Amber Harris, Marlo Galli. **Row 4:** Jennifer Henderson, Ellen Blair, Tricia Haley, Heather Eklund, Kelly Morrow, Amy Hermann, Kelly Beadle, Christy Rosola, Wendy Hollopeter, Jamie Neal, Kathleen Reader. **Row 5:** Shannon Cooksey-sophomore rep, Amy Heck, Jessica Hanrahan, Brie Cantrell, Natalie Anderson, Christine Clemens, Kimberly Fenter, Julianne Hall, Anna Foehner, Arnie Ford.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia



Row 1: Tim Bierbaum-secretary, Brian Moline-parliamentarian, Brian Dean-treasurer, Kyle Engelhardt-president, Brad Balog-vice president, Matthew Shivelbine-education officer, Greg Marshall-alumni secretary. **Row 2:** Jason Humrich, Wes Scott, Mike Jorgensen, Eric Blankenship, Bentley Wilson, Chris McKean, Matthew Wilson. **Row 3:** Greg Cornelius, Dave Pisarkiewicz, Jon Crosby, Matt Moore, Robbie O'Brien, Mark Kamil-historian, Neil Copeland. **Row 4:** Chris Coffey, Matthew Spomer, Brandon Smith, Jeremy Haupt, Todd Kuhns, Todd Luzader, David Seabaugh.

Everyone loves Ronald McDonald, especially freshman Liz Klinkhammer and junior Patti Moran. During the fall semester the Nursing Students' Association traveled to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbia, Mo. The organization spent a great deal of time volunteering service for the sick and trying to raise the level of knowledge on campus about leading a healthy lifestyle. (photo submitted)



While having fun at the Ryle Christmas Market, junior Travis Oglesby also manages to sell some ornaments for Phi Beta Lambda. (photo by Tina Patel)



Freshman Jennifer Ice sits back and watches the crowd at the Ryle Christmas Market while hoping that someone will stop and buy a Christmas Tree pin from the National Education Association Student Program. (photo by Tina Patel)

... A CAREER

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professional organization.

*National Education Association
Student Program*

The association provided a way for education majors to have liability insurance during their individual internships. In addition, the organization provided educational contacts within the community. It sponsored activities such as math and science nights within the school system. Along with sponsoring a carnival to raise money for purchasing books, the group provided a tutoring service eight hours a week at the local junior and senior high schools.

Nursing Students' Association

Active attendance was a main goal for the Nursing Students' Association. Each member was required to complete service hours by doing pet therapy at local nursing homes and by going to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbia. The association sponsored Health Awareness Week in February which promoted healthy living. Students had the opportunity to have a cholesterol screening, their blood pressure checked or be tested for HIV.

Phi Beta Lambda

Dedication to improving the relations between business students and the corporate world was this group's goal. The organization sponsored the March of Dimes in order to raise money for birth defects. The group also participated in a State Leadership Conference in March. The conference allowed members to compete against other business groups in Missouri.

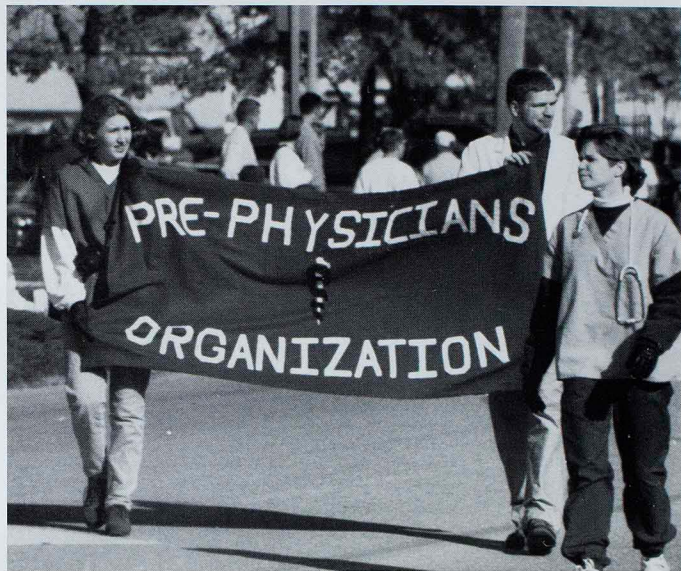
Phi Mu Alpha

As a national men's music fraternity, it was open to all men who had an interest in music and participated in musical activities on campus. The 32-man organization sponsored the first Honor Band for area high school students as well as an Honor Choir with Sigma Alpha Iota in the spring. The group also was involved with the 30th annual Jazz Fest, which featured trombonist Slide Hampton. In addition, members played Christmas music with the Salvation Army bell ringers during the holidays.

Recruiting members is important for any organization. During the Activities Fair Aug. 27, senior Heather Rae and junior Shannon Cummins tried to gain interest and membership for the Psychology Club, which was fairly new on campus. (photo submitted)



Showing their pride and school spirit, seniors Barb Frietsch, Howard Gratan and Lynette Greunke march in the Homecoming parade as members of Pre-Physicians Organization. The organization focused on more than the professional side of life and was involved in social activities such as Homecoming. PPO participated in workshops about medical school and helped sponsor Health Awareness Week in the spring, which provided free testing for AIDS and STD's. (photo by Tina Patel)



Pre-Physicians Organization



Row 1: Kylie Christopherson, Joy Wenger-parliamentarian, Brandon Hamm-secretary, Howard Grattan-president, Justin McWilliams-vice president, Melanie Yuracko, Annie Ingraham. **Row 2:** Laura Shady, Brent Hughes, Katie Nielsen, Shelly Russell, Lesley Kuhl, Ericka Havecker-public relations co-chair, Joanne Grayson, Ashley Utrecht, Hayley Henrikson, Cassy Cooksey. **Row 3:** Erin Loos, Mark Guirguis, Ryane Thomas, Laura Potts, Dhyanes Suresh-public relations co-chair, Jennifer Adams, Charis Phillips, David Meyer, John Alexander. **Row 4:** Heather Morgan, Erin Halsey, Melissa Ehm-Pote, Karin Wirsig-academic chairperson, Brent Pavis, Bryan Schwent, Ryan McWilliams.

Pre-Veterinary Club



Row 1: Ann Zimmerman-president, Sarah Mason-vice president, Andrea Louscher-secretary, Jenny Duncan, Rebecca Jacobs. **Row 2:** Shiloh Hale, Stacie Boes, Ariane Moberly, Rebecca Battern.

Sophomore Stacie Boes and junior Sarah Mason watch a lab at the veterinary hospital at the University of Missouri- Columbia. The Pre-Veterinary Club focused on preparing its members for the future. (photo submitted)



... AN INTEREST through a professional organization.

Pre-Physicians Organization

The 60 member organization was focused on the idea of uniting all students interested in entering the medical field. Bi-monthly meetings focused on different speakers. One of the most noted speakers, who spoke on hand surgery was plastic surgeon Stephan Harris. PPO helped sponsor National Health Awareness Week and a 5K run.

Pre-Veterinary Club

The Pre-Veterinary Club was busy participating in a number of activities this year. The 25 members were involved with Cedar Creek Thearaputic Riding Center's Walk-a-thon, which was its philanthropy, the Homecoming parade and went to the University of Missouri-Columbia where they toured the Veterinary Medical School.

Psychology Club

The Psychology Club sponsored pro-

grams that dealt with psychology and any other related topics. It met bi-weekly and encouraged students from any major to join the organization. It had 30 members with goals to increase membership. Its members performed service projects and worked for the United Way campaign. Group members interacted socially and had several meals together.

Russian Club

The Russian Club provided a link where students could connect with the Russian culture. The 20-member organization was open to all interested in learning more about Russian culture and language. The group also sponsored a bi-monthly Russian Table where the members met to speak entirely in Russian and brush up on their culture. Once a semester, the members gathered to experience a full Russian dinner.



Row1: Stephanie Schmidt, Shannon Wright, Abby Heckman, Tanya Dutton-president, Jamie Morgan- secretary/treasurer, Tara Gasaway, Jenny Blum, **Row 2:** Gina Gruettmeyer, Janine Hall, Elizabeth Benner, Lauren Hiatt, Michelle Monnett, Richard Smith.



Row1: Heidi Lorimor, Anne McKinney-president, Cara McVicar, Dana Fee, Curtis Fee.

... A FUTURE

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Sigma Alpha

The Omicron chapter of Sigma Alpha was a 30-member professional sorority open to women of all majors with an interest in agriculture. The sorority walked dogs from the Humane Society in the Homecoming Parade and took dogs to the nursing homes to cheer residents. The sorority celebrated its Founder's Day on Dec. 6 with a semi-formal. Other activities included volunteering at a local farm and sponsoring a child through Children International.

Sigma Alpha Iota

Auctioning off members to be slaves for others helped Sigma Alpha Iota raise money for the show choir competition it hosted. The third annual competition held Dec. 6 featured nine high school show choirs. Members of the musical sorority also hosted a Music Marathon featuring four local bands playing in Kirk Gym. The sorority organized a workshop for area Girl Scouts to meet and complete the requirements for its music badge.

Society for Human Resource Management

In its first year as an organization on campus, the Society for Human Resource Management served as a pre-professional organization for those interested in human resources careers. Bi-weekly meetings typically focused on group discussions about human resources issues such as employee orientation, making wage compensation scales and employee empowerment. Current events such as the strike by UPS union workers sparked discussion about public perceptions of unions.

Society of Professional Journalists

Truman's chapter of Society of Professional Journalists was named Chapter of the Year at the National SPJ Convention in Denver. President Elizabeth Kelly was elected to be one of two students on the National Board. The society met biweekly and provided out-of-classroom experiences for its members. Events sponsored by SPJ included an evening on internships and guest speaker Marlene Speas of KTVO who spoke about media ethics.

Enjoying a Sigma Alpha senior farewell party, senior Sarah Brubaker and junior Jodi Heckethorn work in the kitchen to cut the cake. Sigma Alpha worked to provide agriculture majors with a sense of sisterhood as well as professionalism. A majority of the time for the members of the professional society was spent at the University Farm where some of the members lived. (Photo submitted)



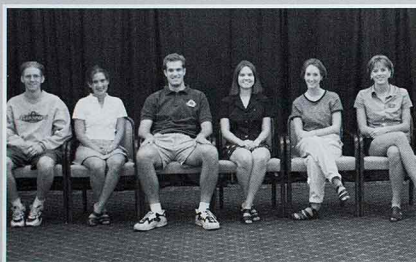
At the invitation of the Society of Professional Journalists, KTVO evening news anchor Marlene Speas speaks about a career in broadcast. Speas also addressed how to work one's way up in journalism and how ethics played a part in every journalist's career. SPJ worked to promote the importance of ethics in the media. (photo by Chandra Lim)

Sigma Alpha



Row 1: Melissa Hofmeister-secretary, Tracy Snider-first vice president, Sarah Brubaker-president, Jaime Miller-second vice president, Ann Zimmerman-treasurer, Shiloh Hale-alumni chair. **Row 2:** Ariane Moberly, Rebecca Battern, Dianna Cook, Jodi Heckethorn, Tonya Pearce, Kae Dee Rinderknecht, Jenny Duncan, Erin McAlvany. **Row 3:** Danielle Dearing, Ashley Davison, Wendy Leunerts, Erin Aitkens, Michelle L. Gilliam, Beth Henggeler, Melissa Shriver, Jennifer Zagurski. **Row 4:** Andrea Louscher, Jennie Brann, Jenny DeHart, Carrie Bub, Christine Ham, Christina Truesdale, Valerie Zemple, Rebecca Jacobs, Katie Dallam.

Society for Human Resource Management



Row 1: Kevin Dooley, Nichole Hoelscher-treasurer/secretary, Derek Cisler-president, Marcia Mullins-vice president, Sarah Busse-BSEC, Kris Carpenter.

Sigma Alpha Iota



Row 1: Amy Colston-corresponding secretary, Cassandra Anders-treasurer, Tina Kuenzel-vice president ritual, Melissa Fadler-president, Karen Luzader-vice president membership, Channa Sullivan-sergeant at arms, Amy Woulfe. **Row 2:** Stephanie Summers, Erica Oborny, Lori Feldkamp, Catherine Clamp, Laura Cross, Becky Salaban, Kimberly Harter, Kara Johnson, Becky Abdon. **Row 3:** Jennifer Floyd, Laura Boyer, Jennifer Slack, Holly Lynn Barr, Lori Logsdon, Christine Banaskavich, Kelli Williams, Amy Bauer, Danielle Seyller.

Society of Professional Journalists



Row 1: Teressa Payton, Katie Riley-treasurer, Amy Detlart-secretary, Elizabeth Kelly-president, Jocelyn Auckly-vice president, Neil Ralston-adviser, Amy Luzynski. **Row 2:** Susan Senger, Amber Willard, Alyssa Conine, Lizzie Schuerman, Lora England, Tina Gray, Jennifer Odefey. **Row 3:** Catherine Pezold, Janine Parks, James Hart, Mary Ziegler, Heather Fester, Jill Snitker, Jennifer Baumann.



Playing into the late hours of the night, a campus band plays for the crowd in Kirk Gym. The bandfest was sponsored by Sigma Alpha Iota as a fund raiser. The professional sorority also had a slave auction which raised over \$400. (photo by Tina Patel)

... TO EXPAND YOUR POSSIBILITIES

through professional organizations.

Spanish Club

Spanish Club members met twice a month to polish their skills and have some fun during an all-Spanish dinner. Students from all levels of proficiency ate together at Mainstreet Market and worked together to improve knowledge of the language. The group sponsored a Hispanic dance in the Down Under, which featured international students teaching their nation's dances. The club frequently brought Spanish films to campus.

Student Council for Exceptional Children

As a pre-professional organization for special education teachers, the Student Council for Exceptional Children worked closely with the disabled in the Kirksville community. The group served as the executive board and chief coordinators of the Special Olympics.

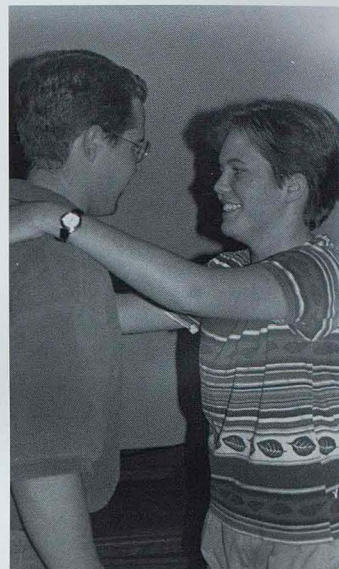
It also traveled to Kirksville Junior High to participate in a tutoring program. Another regular activity was assisting Circle of Friends, a regional coordinator of group homes for the disabled, which organized dances for the disabled of Kirksville.

Student Missouri

State Teachers Association

The purpose of Student Missouri State Teachers Association was to provide a group for education students to share information about the Master of Arts in Education program. The 50 SMSTA members attended educational conventions and sponsored speakers. Dues provided members with classroom insurance for the academic year. SMSTA tutored in local schools and learned to use the equipment in the Teacher Technology Center.

Junior Amanda Hagen-Stapleton teaches sophomore Tom Hopkins how to salsa during a workshop on various Spanish dances. The workshop was sponsored by the Spanish Club to celebrate the Spanish culture. (photo by Diogo Vaz)



Spanish Club



Row 1: Amy Holbo-historian, Stephanie Miller-vice president, Amanda Hagen-Stapleton-president, William Clark, Christy Cupples-treasurer. **Row 2:** Kimberley Urish-Runyon, Meredith Wiecher, Karen Owens, Sara Durham, Julie Nenninger, Jenny Thomsen.

Student Council for Exceptional Children



Row 1: Shannon Cummins, Jessica Gaskill, Kara Johnson-secretary, Danette Thomas-president, Jill Kruse-vice president, Beverly Vogt-treasurer, Darrah Moore. **Row 2:** Katherine Redmon, Shawn Slick, Lori Sickmann, Angie Ingraham, Jennifer Ice, Richard Smith, Kirk Kasicki.

Senior Stephanie Miller strikes a pose during the Spanish Club's fall dance. Throughout the year, the Spanish Club sponsored many events to further the interest of the Spanish culture on campus. It sponsored events such as Spanish movie nights. (photo by Diogo Vaz)



Student Missouri State Teachers Association



Row 1: Lori Woehrer, Heather Hackmann-vice president of membership, Erin Gray-vice president of programming, Emily Steffans-president, Janet Noll-treasurer, Shannon Cummins-secretary, Katy Hardy-historian. Row 2: June Wright, Heather Bertels, Amanda Powell, Tina Sippely, Darrah Moore, Nicole Nieters, Lisa Tornabeni, Stephanie Rowe, Catherine Burnelt, Rebecca Kubiak.



Beta Beta Beta



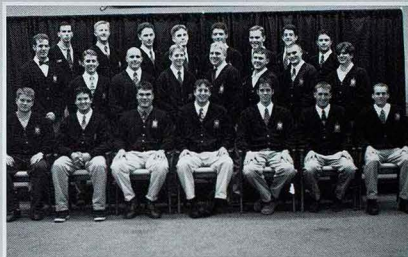
Row 1: Amy Luzynski, Rosalie Chen, Jessica Orf-historian, Doug Jameson-secretary, Matt Eusterbrock-president, Tina Marstall-treasurer, Kim Mannion-membership, Molly Swartzbaugh. **Row 2:** Madonna Backstrom, Jamie Stafford, Sheri Delgman, Danita Bonvillian, Gina Lauver, Debbie Hunt, Kelly Morrow.



Row 1: Michael Francis, Ryan Bergmann, Brad Maune-president, Jennifer Hunt-vice president, James Vertovec. **Row 2:** Andrew Hunzeker, Christy LeMaster, Lisa Padilla, Sabrina Gibbar, Bill Bequette.

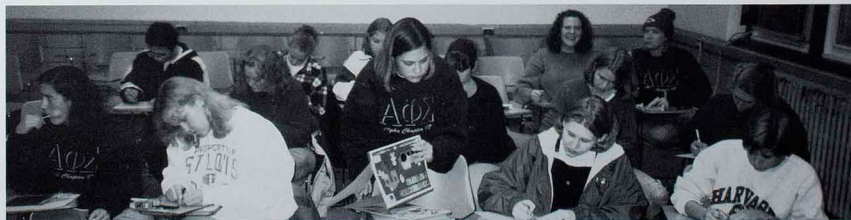


Row 1: Melanie Traraco, Karen Roberts, Janet O'Neal, Melissa Ehm-Pote-vise president, Heather Morgan-secretary, Shelly Russell-historian, Alisa Cormille. **Row 2:** Ryan McWilliams, Laura Mayberry, Stacie Boes, Jenny Thomsen, Cassy Cooksey, Jenny Bell, Jennifer Horton, Elise Youngsteadt, Joanne Grayson. **Row 3:** Justin McWilliams, Stacey Bender, April Orsborn, Amy Linsenbader, Lesley Kuhl, Laura Potts, Jennifer Ferguson, Kristen Mertens, Laurie Wang. **Row 4:** Howard Grattan, Laura Walters, Dana Juul, Erin Halsey, Brent Pavis, David Meyer, John Alexander, Angie Ingraham, Jim Cupples.

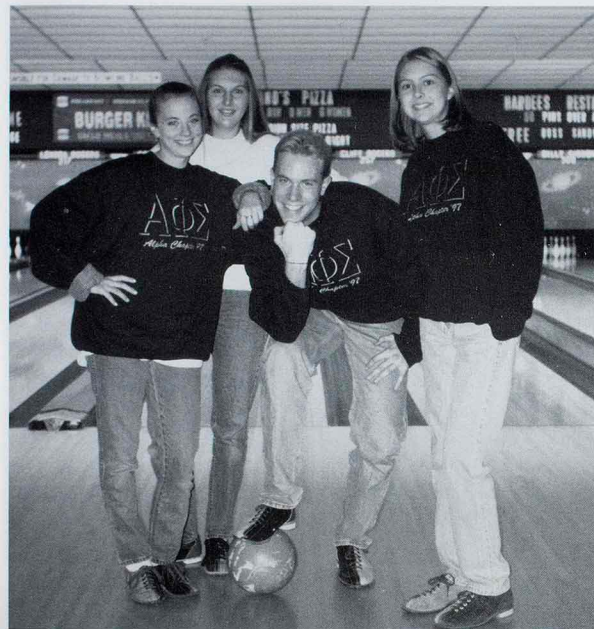


Row 1: Matthew Schaefer, Tyler Mork-public relations, Mike Vaughn-treasurer, Brian Peeters-president, Kevin Wysocki-vice president, Dan Otahal-secretary, David Loesch. **Row 2:** Thomas Schmidt, Kurt Mason, Christopher Martel, Brandon Hamm, Christian Chenoweth, Aaron Huckstep, Chad Moore, Mike Zahra. **Row 3:** Shawn Weber, Douglas Barth, Joel Vece, Bryan Schwent, Jim Lorenz, Matthew Strohschein, Greg Kristoff, Neil Ferguson.

Members of Alpha Phi Sigma decorate Halloween cards for residents of Twin Pines nursing home. It participated in several philanthropic activities throughout the year. The group also won a Gold Award for its generous donation to United Way. (photo submitted)



Junior Debbie Hunt and seniors Jamie Stafford, Doug Jameson and Danita Bonvillian participate in a Bowl-A-Thon at Leisure World for Alpha Phi Sigma. Proceeds of the event went to charity. Members of the group were active in several philanthropic events and won the Gold Award from the United Way for its donation. The organization also helped with the Educator of the Year Award. (photo submitted)



Holistic Nurse Barbara Dossey speaks to a captive audience during her speech co-sponsored by Blue Key National Honor Fraternity. (photo by Tina Patel)



Senior Brandon Hamm sells Blue Key directories at the Ryle Christmas Market. The directories included the phone numbers and addresses of all students and faculty members. (photo by Tina Patel)

... A PURPOSE through an honorary organization.

Alpha Phi Sigma

Alpha Phi Sigma national honorary, scholastic fraternity was a co-ed organization open to sophomores with a minimum GPA of 3.25. Members focused their attention on promoting academics on campus as well as volunteering in the community. Alpha Phi Sigma was part of the Educator of the Year committee. Its philanthropies included United Way and making cards for residents at the nursing home. Members wanted to continue to support academics the next year and planned a Major Panorama for undeclared students to learn about the majors offered at the University.

Alpha Psi Omega

Alpha Psi Omega was a group that focused on the development of the art of acting. Its members wanted to cultivate a taste for the best in drama. They strove to foster the cultural values of drama in society.

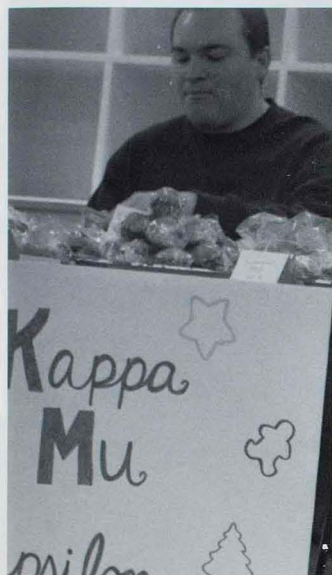
Beta Beta Beta

Beta Beta Beta biology honor society had over 100 active and associate members. Membership was available to students who had completed cell biology and maintained a 3.0 GPA. Members were required to complete a service project and attend three biology seminars. Members also shared their knowledge with the community by doing presentations in local grade schools and tutoring non-biology majors. The group tried to improve relations within the biology department by sponsoring soccer games between faculty and staff.

Blue Key National Honor Fraternity

The main emphasis of Blue Key National Honor Fraternity was service, as it donated time to the campus and community. This was achieved through the hard work of about 35 selectively chosen members. Each year, the men put together the Homecoming Parade and the Blue Key directory. Blue Key organized the campus Quiz Bowl and worked with Cardinal Key to sponsor three blood drives. The group spent time working with the YMCA, the Chamber of Commerce and the Parks and Recreation Department.

Junior Chad Muse sells Christmas treats for Kappa Mu Epsilon at the Ryle Hall Christmas Market. Members hosted a math expo for area high school students as their main activity for the year. (photo by Tina Patel)



... TO BE ACTIVE through an honorary organization.

Cardinal Key National Honor Society

The Truman chapter of Cardinal Key national honor sorority was limited to 25 members by national standards. Cardinal Key held rush each spring. Rushes had to be of at least sophomore status and have a 3.25 GPA. The four virtues of Cardinal Key were faith, fortitude, wisdom and trust. The organization's national philanthropy was the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. The group also participated in several local service projects.

Eta Sigma Gamma

Eta Sigma Gamma was a national professional honorary society for health education majors. It served to motivate and recognize service and academic achievement. Eta Sigma Gamma promoted research and program development. Members were inducted after completing two semesters with a 2.7 GPA and declaring a health major.

Kappa Delta Pi

The honorary education organization, Kappa Delta Pi, consisted of about 60 members. It sponsored activities for elementary and junior high students. Every week the group held meetings for the Junior Optimist Club, an after-school club for junior high children. It provided fun nights at the YMCA. The group sponsored activities during Reading is Fundamental Week and participated in Adopt-A-Street.

Kappa Mu Epsilon

Kappa Mu Epsilon, the honorary math society, consisted of 15 members. The group held fund raisers, bake sales and participated in card and movie nights. The biggest event the group sponsored was a math expo for area high school students. The organization developed and graded math tests for the students. The organization attended its national convention in April.

Kappa Delta Pi



Row 1: Andrea Gervais, Brandy Branson-executive board, Rebecca Kubiak-executive board, Christy Redenbaugh-executive board, Jessica Orf-executive board, Kate Stoddard-executive board, Lisa Tornabeni. **Row 2:** Carolyn Vibbert, Candace Robertson, Bryan Gibson, Katie Prochaska, Kim Kovash, Leanna Graham, Courtney Rahn, Laurelyn Roberts, Janet Noll. **Row 3:** Doug Jameson, Wendy Haigler, Shannon Cummins, Christy Straatmann, Jennifer Tadsen, Delora Smith, Sarah Williams, Suzie Wright, Tim Deveney.

Kappa Mu Epsilon



Row 1: Mary Sue Beersman-adviser, Amanda Nixon-vice president, Laurel Berner-president, Karen VanCleave-treasurer, Jay Belanger-adviser. **Row 2:** John Haney, Mike Golynskiy, Shawn Logan, Leah Kolchinsky, Kathleen Loughran, Katie McKay, Chad Muse.

... TO MAKE CONNECTIONS

through an honorary organization.

Omicron Delta Kappa

Omicron Delta Kappa consisted of 32 upper-classmen and 13 faculty members. The honorary leadership society met with President Jack Magruder to discuss issues that concerned students. In the fall, it sponsored the second annual Truman Day. The members also sponsored an essay contest, a high school leadership conference, the Student Hall of Fame and a senior leadership reception.

Phi Alpha Theta

Phi Alpha Theta history honor society was a national organization with 25 members on campus. The organization participated in events such as Homecoming and the Undergraduate Research Symposium. It cleaned the Violette Museum in Kirk Memorial. The organization participated in the state convention in Columbia and sponsored history speakers on campus. It annually published history student's essays in *The Apprentice Historian*.

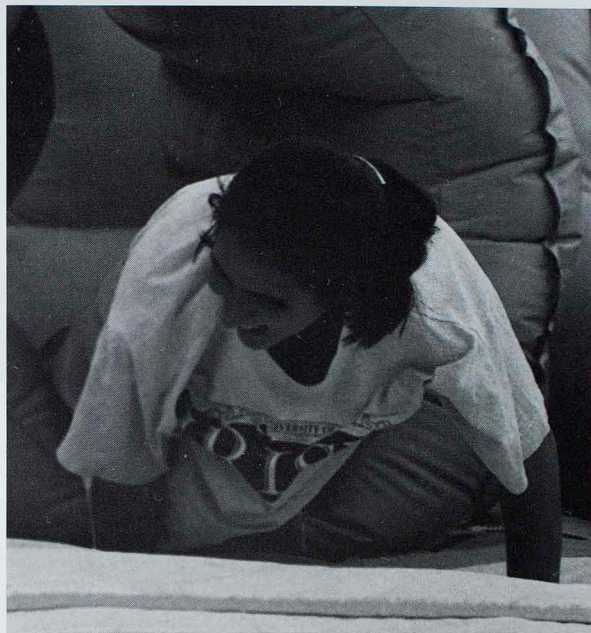
Phi Eta Sigma

Phi Eta Sigma was a freshman honorary fraternity. Freshmen who had completed their first semester with a 3.5 GPA were invited to join the organization. Initiates had to complete service projects, attend weekly meetings and participate in social events and a fund raiser. The group participated in United Way fundraising and Adopt-A-Street. It had representatives on the Educator of the Year committee.

Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa was an alumni chapter of the two-year college international honor society. It was founded on Truman's campus in 1986. The group was in a rebuilding year and only had two members in addition to adviser Martha Edwards, assistant professor of history. The organization worked with Truman Transfers and helped with transfer orientations in the spring and fall. The group's goal was to promote the University to community college students.

Junior Stephanie Mohrman races through a Velcro obstacle course at the second annual Truman Day celebration sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Truman Day was held in the fall and included other events such as live music, a barbecue and a moonwalk. Members put on several programs to benefit the students at the University, such as the Student Hall of Fame and a senior leadership program. (photo by Tina Patel)



Seniors James Bang and Chris Yeager promote Phi Eta Sigma at the Ryle Christmas Market while selling Christmas ornaments. Members of the organization were responsible for service projects throughout the year such as Adopt-A-Street, the United Way drive and visiting Twin Pines. The group also helped to pick the Educator of the Year. (photo by Tina Patel)

Omicron Delta Kappa



Row 1: David Hoffman-adviser, Megan Edwards-vice president of public relations, Jake Cowan-president, Andie Trotter-treasurer, Pat Cross-secretary. **Row 2:** Melanie Yuracko, Jennifer Bosshardt, Kim Oelschlaeger, Cassandra Anders, Jessica Schaefer-vice president of membership, Leslie Graff, Tracy Reynolds, Karin Stoltenberg. **Row 3:** Brian Peeters-essay contest chairman, Bekka Meyer, Melissa Fadler, Shannon Twenter, Marc Pelini.



Row1: Elisabeth Engel-treasurer, Matt Goyer-president, Sarah Fehrenbacher-vice president. **Row 2:** Charles Northrup, Katie Kilian, Maureen Welch.

Phi Alpha Theta

Phi Eta Sigma



Row 1: Mayly Yang-treasurer, Carrie Leonardo-president, Jenny Church-president, Colleen Pleiss-historian, Krissy Vogel-vice president of publicity. **Row 2:** Deena Wiss, Julie Olson, Laura Westhoff, Sara Denny, Jewelée Stoffel.



Row 1: Joseph Mossey, Martha Edwards-adviser, Ryan Totten-president

Phi Theta Kappa

During Truman Day, even best friends have the opportunity to duke it out in a jousting match. The winner was the one who knocked his opponent off the pedestal twice; they had three rounds to do this. Omicron Delta Kappa sponsored the fun-filled Truman Day. (photo by Tina Patel)



... TO SPEAK YOUR MIND through an honorary organization.

Phi Sigma Pi

Phi Sigma Pi was a co-ed national honor fraternity that boasted a large membership. The basis of the organization was scholarship, leadership and fellowship. The group focused on leadership and service in the community and volunteered its time for several activities throughout the year. The group's main philanthropy was Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. Members also participated in a Band Fest, visited the Adult Care Facility and held a Founder's Day.

Pi Delta Phi

Pi Delta Phi, the French honorary society, included about 30 members. The organization was open to anybody who had at least taken three 300-level French classes and met the GPA requirements. The group frequently met at professors' houses to participate in French dinners and conversation. It also

supported the environment by participating in the Adopt-A-Street program. Members presented various cultural presentations, such as its study abroad program which featured exchange students from France. In addition, the organization held a recipe night where members made dishes and swapped French recipes.

Pi Kappa Delta

Pi Kappa Delta national honorary speech fraternity had about 20 members. Students had to be members of the Forensics Team or a communication major to join Pi Kappa Delta. In addition to competing in speech and debate tournaments, the group hosted a tournament in February. Pi Kappa Delta contributed to Oprah's Angel Network and planned to get involved in service and campus events in the future.

Sophomores Wendy Libey and Rhiannon Hollister and senior Matt Shannon celebrate at the Phi Sigma Pi rush invite dinner. The co-ed fraternity was based on scholarship, leadership and fellowship. (photo submitted)



Phi Sigma Pi

Row 1: Carrie Woodrum-public relations, Belena Smith, Matthew Shannon-historian, Karin Drown-secretary, Julie Major-historian, Julie Korth, Jennifer O'Brien. **Row 2:** Katherine Cumming, Kasia McMullen, Krissy Vogel, Julie Kitzmiller, Elizabeth Vermedahl, Lisa Tornabeni, Laura Williams, Janette Mialkowski. **Row 3:** Jennifer Horton, Kimberly Simmons, Jessica Lindsay, Carolyn Smith, Julie Loftas, Erin Gray, Courtney Rahn, Kerri Phillips. **Row 4:** Katie Sausser, Carrie Erwin, Leslie Dunn, Melissa Meisterheim, Tim O'Neil, Dori Schulte, Joe Rackstad.



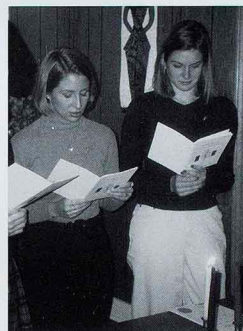
Phi Sigma Pi

Row 1: Angela Keller, Christy Straatman-vice president, Kevin Fountain-treasurer, Tracy Reynolds-president, Brian Coles-parliamentarian, Jen Crouther, Amy Bowers. **Row 2:** Rhiannon Hollister, Sara Hixson, Sarah West, Mary Weinberger, Anne Rundle, Ben Aranda, Kristen Sorensen, Erik Rogers, Dustin Green. **Row 3:** David Rogers, Joshua Johns, Tim Sandfort, Naren Findlay, Nate McNeil, Nicole Winters, Tim Beffa, Peter Reid, Shane Lewinski.

Members of Phi Sigma Pi enjoy a hayride at president Tracy Reynolds' farm during the fall. The honor fraternity was involved in several charities, including Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. Members also volunteered for the Special Olympics, the AIDS Walk and participated in Founder's Day. The organization sought to foster leadership qualities and advance the welfare of humanity through various events during the year. (photo submitted)



Pi Kappa Delta sponsors a debate between the United States and Russia in the Down Under in November. (photo by Hemal Patel)



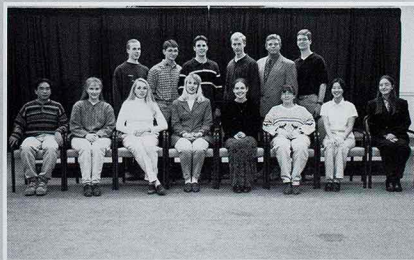
Seniors Adrienne Gerke and Chris Pesout participate in initiation for the French honor fraternity, Pi Delta Phi. (photo submitted)

Phi Delta Phi



Row1: Dana Ahrens, Dr. McLane-Iles-adviser, Adrienne Gerke-vice president, Adam Potthast-president, Jennifer McKellips-treasurer, Janice Hodges, Kathleen Gawronski. **Row 2:** Lori Woehrer, Jennifer Tadsen, Tara Niederhauser, Linda Kunz, Chris Mobley, Adam Adams.

Pi Kappa Delta



Row1: Elbert Cubas, Holly Ahrens, Rachel Hack, Kirsten Olsen-coach, Heather Ann Helm-president, Sandy Douglas-vice president, Shelise Gieseke, Kelly Dann. **Row 2:** Charles Oppelt, Robert Layne, John Ayres, Shane Mecham, William Barfield, Jacob Stutzman.

Psi Chi



Row1: Heather Kae-historian, Janette Mialkowski, Brian Yochim-president, Linda Gannon-president, Susan Riethmann-treasurer, Denise Irwin, Kimberly Simmons. **Row 2:** Erin Gray, Adrienne Mark, Michelle Monnet, Jamie Fry, Philip Jörn, Lisa Roberts, Tanya Dutton. **Row 3:** Kristi Russell, Michelle Calton, Nandy Stages, Bentley Miller, Stephanie Thomsen, Lauren Hiatt, Carrie Plocher. **Row 4:** Tim Lemen, Michael Droste, Gina Gruettemeyer, Kelli Long, Kristin Orf, Joe Fuemmeler.

Sigma Beta Delta



Row 1: Lynn Obermark, Tamara Hechst, Stephen Allen-adviser/secretary/treasurer, Andrew Mun-president, Debi Cartwright-vice president, Robert Dager-division head, Carrie Erwin. **Row 2:** Molly Gillespie, Julia Hempel, Jim Myers, Gina Lauver, Rosalie Chen, Stephanie Meuris. **Row 3:** Mike Heckman, Joel Block, Matthew Adam, Todor Avramov, Justin Iske.

Ts'ing Chi



Row 1: Shannon Cummins, William Paddock, Becky Schnarre, Amy Koester, Jennifer Carter, Kimberly Zimmer, Abby Heckman.
Row 2: Laura Westhoff, Jamie Morgan, Mary Noonan, Jacki Case, Nicole Nieters, Anne VanRhein, Amanda Trout, Jennifer Locker, Tricia Kammerer.

Sigma Tau Delta

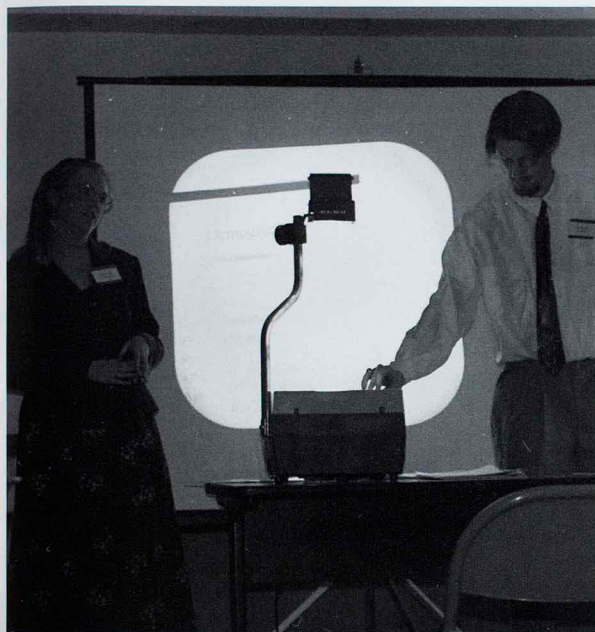


Row 1: June Wright, Sally Lucas, Christine Robben-vice president, Laurelyn Roberts.

Members of Sigma Beta Delta business fraternity discuss several issues such as nominating officers and electing a student representative. Members could join the group by invitation only. Business faculty members served as officers of the fraternity. (photo by Josh Adams)



Seniors Shannon Ross and Brad Niebling present at the Psi Chi Research Symposium. The symposium lasted all day and was held in Ryle Hall. It included a banquet for students. The symposium offered opportunities for students and psychology faculty to get to know one another better. The organization participated in several events throughout the year such as the AIDS Walk. (photo by Tina Patel)



Senior Mike Mueller presents during Psi Chi's Research Symposium on Feb. 28. The symposium was an annual event for the organization. (photo by Tina Patel)



Seniors Elisabeth Engel and Candra Gill of Sigma Tau Delta work at a booth at the Ryle Christmas Market. Many groups participated in the event as a fund raiser. Some of the proceeds went to Victim Support Services. (photo by Tina Patel)

... A VISION through an honorary organization.

Psi Chi

Psi Chi psychology honor society offered psychology students information about careers and graduate schools in psychology. Inducted members had to be of sophomore standing, have a 3.00 cumulative GPA and had completed nine hours in psychology. Members also had to complete two hours of community service and serve on two committees. Psi Chi also had affiliate members that could participate in all organization activities but were not recognized nationally. The 65 members of Psi Chi sponsored the third annual Psychology Research Conference in the spring. The group held a banquet for students to meet with psychology faculty. Psi Chi members were involved in the community by participating in the AIDS Walk, Special Olympics and supporting the Salvation Army and Victim Support Services. Psi Chi members had the opportunity to graduate with Psi Chi honors.

Sigma Beta Delta

Sigma Beta Delta honorary business fraternity was composed of about 20 members consisting of students and faculty. The group was organized to encourage and recognize scholarship and accomplishment among students of business, administration and management. Sigma Beta Delta participated in charitable and academic programs throughout the year. Students with high scholarship and good moral character were invited to join the organization. Business professors held positions as officers.

Sigma Tau Delta

Sigma Tau Delta international English honor society had 30 active members. The organization was open to all students with sophomore standing, a 3.00 GPA and completion of three upper-level English classes. Group members participated in the Ryle Christmas Market and held workshops for local students. Sigma Tau Delta members sponsored a book drive to collect English materials for Tibet and a bandfest to raise money to send members to a convention. Five members presented papers at an international convention in Anaheim, Calif.

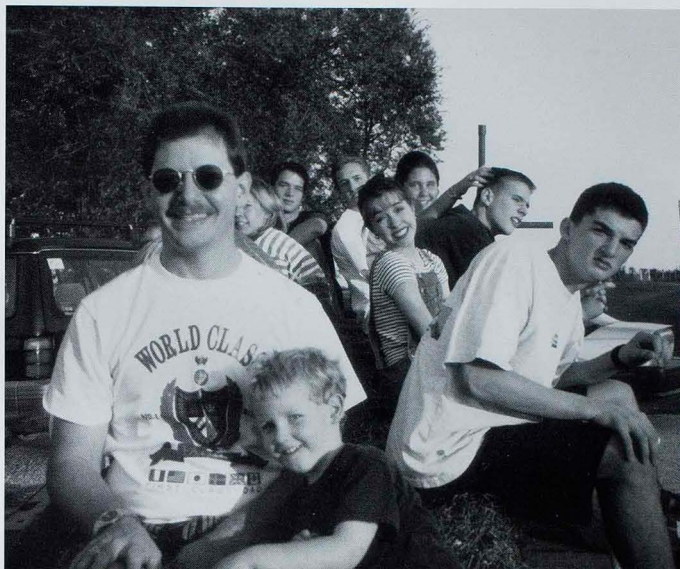
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Campus Pastor Bill Schuerman and his son Daniel join students from the Lutheran Student Fellowship in celebrating the unusually warm October weather with a hay ride at the University farm. The organization worked closely with Faith Lutheran Church. They sponsored many activities throughout the year for students to combine spirituality with fun. The Fellowship was open to anyone who was interested in a Christian way of living. (photo submitted)



Baptist Student Union



Row 1: Amy Jones-public relations, Heather Ditzer-special events, Leigh Bohack, Bethany Pendino, Joan Hildmann, Julia Mast, Carrie Sabourin, Brandi Patterson. **Row 2:** Kinzie Boothe, Monica Detrixhe, Stacey Stovall, Sally Vermilion, Dennis Stokes-campus minister, Joe Bunhl, Jenny Van Diesen, Reanne Lane, Stephanie Cooper. **Row 3:** Jennifer Ice, Danita Bonivillian, Kevin Martin-president, Nicole Livingston, Brock Neil, Tim Suddarth, Betsy Driskill, Stacie Boes, Jodi Flowers. **Row 4:** Katy Bryan, Christine Ritchey, Rod Simms, David Hunsaker, Greg Xander.

Baptist Student Union



Row 1: Heidi Green, Lynn Schiermeyer, Amy Taylor, Melanie Ballanger, Jessi Dobbins, Melissa Johanning, Julie Wright, Courtney Calder. **Row 2:** Erica Duenow, Amelia Campbell, Amanda Bunyard, Jennifer Brand, Chrissy Eatherton, Valerie Flury, Heather Mosley, Mary Walters, Daphne Rutledge. **Row 3:** John Cross, Audra Alson, Angela Raines, June Dandridge, Kenneth Boyce, Darryl Record. **Row 4:** Ryan Calder, Katie Shupe, Alan Boushard, Tim Siebe, Kevin Nance, Stephanie Starnes.

Everyone has something to contribute at the Baptist Student Union. In November, the freshmen of the BSU were given a chance to work on their leadership skills by running Focus, the BSU weekly meetings. (photo submitted)



... A PLACE TO WORSHIP

through a religious organization.

Baptist Student Union

The Baptist Student Union, consisting of 125 members, was open to anyone. The BSU took four students to China for a cultural exchange in December. The exchange was with the Chinese Christian Council Church.

Early in the year, some of the BSU members participated in the state-wide conference Getaway '97. Over 700 college students joined together in Roach, Mo.

First Baptist Student Group

First Baptist Church sponsored programs for the student group members, such as inviting the group to dinner at parishioners' houses and hosting Sunday school classes. Upperclassmen adopted freshmen and showed them around campus and Kirksville through

a Big Brother/Big Sister program. Group members dropped in on students during freshman week, surprising them with cookies and other snacks. A January retreat provided time with God and a chance to escape classes.

Lutheran Student Fellowship

The Lutheran Student Fellowship held prayer, worship and Bible studies in conjunction with Faith Lutheran Church. The group sponsored ice-cream socials and barbecues for students new to campus. The group brought storyteller Steven James to campus and organized the annual CROP walk which raised over \$1,100. In conjunction with Faith Lutheran Church, Lutheran Student Fellowship served international students an American-style Thanksgiving dinner.



First Baptist Student Group
Row 1: Karin Farber, Heather Smith-leadership, Danita Bonvillian-president, Amy Taylor-leadership, Amy Spray.
Row 2: Ben VanKuren, Vivian Coleman-campus ministry, Tom Tabb, Adam Adams, Katy Hardy, Jean White.



Lutheran Student Fellowship
Row 1: Rick Emmett-treasurer, Danette Thomas-vice president, Debbie Hunt-president, Emily Gluesing-secretary, Bich Pham.
Row 2: Andy Schultz, Julie Bender, Jeff Schultz, John Brockman, Jennifer Kidd. Row 3: Amy Linsenhardt, Laura Meierhoff, Andrew Oberdeck, Adam Mehlhorn, Joel Dieterichs.

... TO HAVE SPIRITUALITY

through a religious organization.

Campus Christian Fellowship

Campus Christian Fellowship was an organization open to all Christian students. Many of the 500 members of CCF were part of 40 different small-group Bible studies. Services were held in Kirk Building every Sunday and at Greenwood Elementary School on Wednesday evenings. The CCF house, located at the corner of Randolph and Halliburton, served as a base for the religious organization. The group was led by campus minister Joe Belzer and three students.

Campus Christian Fellowship sponsored and participated in many activities throughout the year. The group planned both men's and women's retreats throughout the year, which focused on learning more about God and His word. The group competed in campus intramurals and other planned events such as coffeehouses and hay rides.

Campus Crusade for Christ

Campus Crusade for Christ was an interdenominational Christian organization created to make Christ known on campus. The Truman group was one of the hundreds of CCC organizations across the United States and international campuses. The organization, consisting of about 50 members, met weekly. At its meetings, the members had speakers and sang. Many times the speakers were various students, community church members or CCC's staff couple.

The organization held Bible studies at different members' apartments or dormitory rooms during the week. Some members participated in an open forum discussion on the different religions around the world. CCC sponsored various religious programs in the residence halls. Whenever CCC felt it was needed, it showed the Jesus "film" in the residence halls and throughout campus in order to continue with its goal of making Christ known and felt on the Truman State University campus.

Friendship and memories that endure for a long time to come are made during college years and through participation in organizations. At a Campus Crusade for Christ retreat, freshman Heidi Lorimer, junior Andrea Klarner, freshman Lidia Saleniac, graduate student Tami Poehlman, freshman Shelby Swan and freshman Lori Anderson take the time to capture those memories on film. (photo submitted)



The Activities Fair is a way for each student on campus to discover which organizations they would like to join and for each organization to try and recruit new members. The members of Campus Christian Fellowship had a table at the fair and tried to attract new members through information and free stuff. Many organizations gave away candy, pens and cookies to grab the attention of students. (photo by Mary Ziegler)

Campus Christian Fellowship

Campus Christian Fellowship



Row 1: Benjamin Ryan, Monty Platz, James Armstrong, Kevin Nance, Rob Siemer, Walter Polnak, Douglas Cutler, Tim Hudson. **Row 2:** Mark Guirguis, Eric Diekmann, Catherine Clamp, Brent Franke, Janson Gates, Sara Dalman, Klm Oelschlaeger, Jennifer Tadsen, Janeen Traen. **Row 3:** Callie Roberts, Susan Kehoe, Joe Brown, Julie Tolliver, Danny Maranan, Erin Wright, Kim Carpenter. **Row 4:** Kurt Mason, Susan Senger, Cory Milles, Tamara Hechst, Katie Stokes, Deena Boyd, Mary Nutter.



Row 1: Katie Lippincott, Robert Osgood, Wes Bowen, Roberto Weissler, Kurt Bethel, Jenny Hughes, Sunshine Fleeman, Patrick Gibbons. **Row 2:** Karen Van Cleave, Beth Woodin, Stephanie Wiedlocher, Larissa Ball, Tara Eby, Laurie Wager, Stephanie Wintermann, Sara Braaf, Julie Olson. **Row 3:** Staci Garvin, Becky Veitch, Laura Painter, Kristen Leiby, Katherine Albers, Kris Buckley, Stacey Swenson, Becky Byers. **Row 4:** Krissy Vogel, Jill Quigley, Jennifer Bauwers, Mayly Yang, Adrienne Gerke, Meghan McCormick, Crystal Williams.

Campus Christian Fellowship

Campus Crusade for Christ



Row 1: Dan Reside, Jeff Zeigler, Aimee Senf, Shelly Yaeger, Beth Siemer, Liza Mendenhall, Jason Herbig, Andrea Beccos. **Row 2:** Kathleen Gawronski, Daron Christesen, Kelly Dolles, Anne Beshears, Sarah McAlpin, Michael Francis, Jessica McVeigh, Eric Staub, Kevin Garthe.



Row 1: Wes Bowen, Pedro Martinez, Deena Boyd, Mark Guirguis, Susan Kehoe, Tom Osgood, Lauren Willard, Beth Snyder. **Row 2:** Kathleen Gawronski, Nicole Livingston, Alana Schwier, Robert Osgood, Amie Ford, Lori Anderson, Heidi Lorimor, Mary Brandis. **Row 3:** Jami Marstall, Lidia Saleniuc, Katie Lippincott, Tami Poehlman, Rob Weissler, Lori Schwartz, Aaron Patton, Daren Chisteson, Beryi Tinnia.



Taking a much-needed break from school and their studies, the members of Lutheran Student Fellowship enjoy a retreat at Turkey Hill Bible Camp outside of Jefferson City, Mo. The retreat was attended by college students from across Missouri. (photo submitted)

... TO STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH through a religious organization.

Catholic Newman Center

The Catholic Newman Center strived to build a faith community through prayer, study, service and recreation. It served the nearly 2,000 Catholics on the Truman campus, as well as Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, and was open to people of all beliefs. The Newman Center was led by the Newman Council.

In addition to weekly Masses, the Newman Center held many regular events, including Prayer on the Floor, Catholic Students Assembled, spiritual groups and choir practice. Special events throughout the year included barbecues, open study during Finals Week, community Masses, retreats and social events.

The Newman Center participated in community service with Mary Immaculate parish and local service organizations. Newmanites competed in Homecoming activities, placing third in the skit compe-

tion and winning the Chairman's Cup for small groups.

Wesley Student Center

The Wesley Student Center was a place to call home for the Methodist students on campus. With a focus on developing students as Christians and as Christian leaders, the Wesley Student Center strove to have an impact. The center served approximately 45 students by offering two Bible Study groups and one worship service weekly.

Road rallies, bowling nights and tailgate parties gave a chance to socialize and get away from it all as did attending the state-wide Wesley Float Trip at Bennet Springs in Lebanon, Mo. Participation in the North Korean Food boxes project with Methodist Churches across the nation allowed Wesley members the opportunity to serve people across the globe in their battle against famine.

Freshman Dawn Jones contributes to the Wesley Student annual turkey dinner by preparing the dessert. The event was an annual fund raiser held at First United Methodist Church. It was held Nov. 16. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Catholic Newman Center



Row 1: Jennifer Baumann, Andy Bartek, Sara Kukuczka-committee liaison, Karen Coole-secretary, Jennifer Odefey-president, Teresa McAlpine-executive officer, Bettie Leszczynski-director, Anthony Colombo. **Row 2:** James Schmieder, Megan Hackmann, Anne Leicht, Chris Flieger, Eric Veile, Julia Hempel, Heather Fester. **Row 3:** Joslyn Mathis, Marya Lucas, Ken Lederle, Dan Horst, Theresa Stringham, Lori Drake, Heather Hackmann.

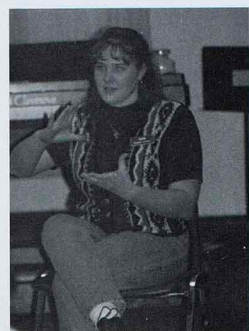
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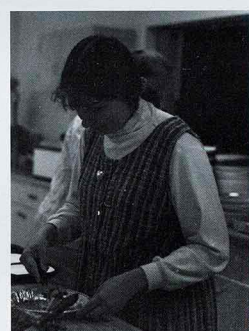
Row 1: Emily Sides, Eric Staub, Tricia Boyle, Jeremy Early, Christina Heckenkamp, Ken Hussey, Jean Anne Cauwenbergh, Carrie Grantham. **Row 2:** Susie Qualls, Tricia Audrain, Mandy Kliefoth, Michelle Morrison, Melissa Mayo, Sara Schmitt, Carolyn Pihir, Sarah Barnes, Erika Hernandez. **Row 3:** Diana Roshek, Lesley Kuhl, Abby Heckman, Melissa Lehmann, Amy Evans, Maggie Bauer, Angie Hardin. **Row 4:** Kate Koenig, Patricia Hutchison, Melissa Reese, Bridget Munsterman, Melanie Yuracko, Aaron Nord.

ELLOWSHIP✠CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST✠CA

Soaring high above the stage in Baldwin Auditorium, sophomore Eric Staub demonstrates his flexibility as part of the Catholic Newman Center Homecoming skit. The skit was entitled "Where in Kirksville is Carmen Sandiego?" and featured the "Safety Dance." Newman worked to incorporate spirituality with service and fellowship by participating in activities such as Hospice 2000 and dances. (photo by Josh Adams)



Senior Sara Kukulczka explains her beliefs in the Catholic religion at a panel discussion at the Catholic Newman Center. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Volunteering her time at First United Methodist Church, freshman Sarah Hamilton helps in the kitchen. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



Row 1: Eric Anderson-campus minister, John Alexander-peer minister, Carolyn Vibbert-peer minister, Jennifer Carter-peer minister, Justin Ryburn-peer minister. **Row 2:** Sarah Hamilton, Melanie Horst, Dawn Jones, Jennifer Sloey, Jennifer Gooch, Danette Rardon-vice president. **Row 3:** Brandon Lemons, Curtis Barber, Cheri Heiser, Walter Coats.



Wesley Student Center

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NEWBURY CLUB✠CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER✠CHI ALPHA

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With new goals this year, Prism was well on its way to completing them.

Prism was created to provide an atmosphere where bisexuals, lesbians and gays could enjoy fellowship with others in the community. It wanted to create tolerance among homosexuals, as well as heighten the comfort levels for people wanting to reveal their sexuality.

Prism made its impact on the Truman campus and beyond by participating in many events this year such as Triangle Coalition, the Privacy Rights Education Project, Campus Activists and National Awareness Week.

Meeting Chair Leo Kirsch said the organization worked more with the campus this year to get more accomplished.

"We have a broad range of goals," Kirsch said.

Some of its goals included starting a Diversity Task Force and a lesbian, gay and bisexual resource center on campus.

The Diversity Task Force would be implemented to address discrimination issues on campus, including sexually-oriented discrimination. With the event the campus witnessed earlier in the school

year, when two men were attacked because they were thought to be homosexuals, Prism decided it was time to take action. There were also problems in the



Sidewalk chalk on campus encourages people to "come out" during a Prism sponsored Coming Out Day. Messages of support were written on sidewalks around campus. (photo by Tina Patel)

magazines for students' personal and classroom use. Though Kirsch said there were no concrete plans for the center, he said that President Jack Magruder had been helping the organization in the development of the center.

Overall, Prism was proud of the progress it made in making a positive impact on campus.

"First semester we accomplished all the goals that we set, and we will accomplish all our goals for second semester, also," Kirsch said.

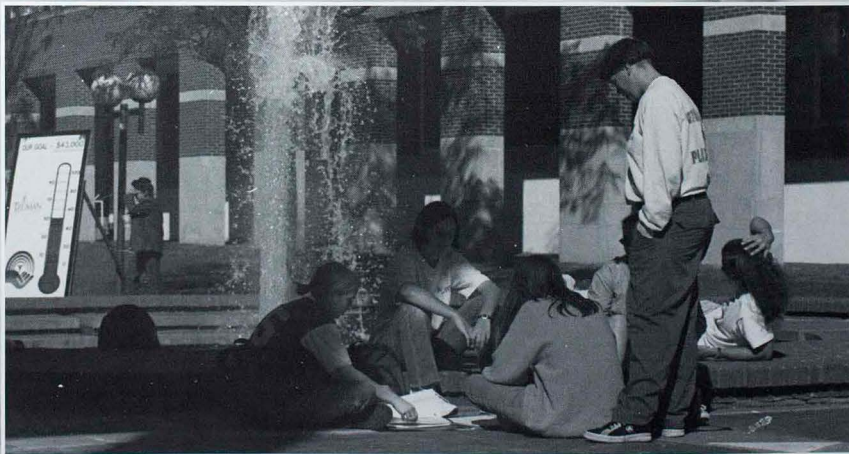
The organization was especially proud of its increased membership. Its membership started with four members and increased to over 40 members as of January 1998. The organization also increased its heterosexual membership.

Prism was one organization that put forth effort to be diverse. Despite the problems it may have faced as it tried to protect students that were victimized, it still offered membership to anyone interested.

"All are welcome throughout the entire spectrum of sexuality," Kirsch said.

... by Stacey Bumpus

Students gather near the fountain at the Student Union Building in support of Prism's efforts to educate the campus community about homosexuality. Prism was open to anyone and had a large membership of about 40 members. The group supported the efforts to start a Diversity Task Force. The group also wanted to open a lesbian, gay and bisexual resource center with materials such as books and magazines that could be used by all students. In addition to working toward diversity causes, Prism also held social events such as dances. (photo by Tina Patel)



Since most students could not make it to Mardi Gras, the University Swingers brought Mardi Gras to the campus. The organization frequently sponsored dances in the SUB Down Under as a way to promote the group and different dance styles. In the fall, the University Swingers sponsored a country line dancing night. The group also performed during Homecoming and Lakeside Revue, dazzling audiences with swing and tango dancing. The group was open to all students that showed an interest in wanting to learn how to dance. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



FOOT loose and fancy free . . .

"Swing your partners" took on a new meaning as the University Swingers danced the night away in Kirk Gym on Tuesday nights.

The University Swingers filled the gym every week with 50 to 75 people eager to learn the dance steps characterized as swing. People from the community, KCOM and Truman took advantage of this time to swing.

University Swingers was founded in the fall of 1994 by senior co-president Scott Hutcheson and Truman alumna Laura Knox. According to Hutcheson, the organization grew immensely, especially after the group started practicing in Kirk Gym.

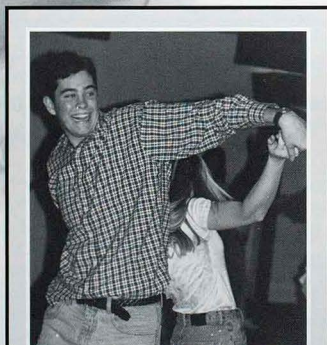
"Before we had 30 or 35 people kind of crowded in the hallway," Hutcheson said. "But now, we have room for anybody to show up."

Swing dancing began in the 1920s as a way for people to express themselves through jazz music. It was originally called the Lindy and became popular during dance contests as the jitterbug during the 1940s.

Despite its name, the Swingers did a lot more than just the swing. The members also taught the tango, waltz, cha-cha and other dances to anyone who wanted to learn.

The club used many of the moves it

learned from Regina Lindhorst, assistant professor of health and exercise science, and Melody Jennings, instructor of health and exercise science. The members also picked up some of their dance moves from movies and later shared them with the organization.



Freshman Luke Willman enjoys a little swing dancing with his partner at the University Swinger's Mardi Gras dance in February. The dance was open to all University students. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

The Swingers used dance as a way to get together, have fun and educate others

through the various times periods of dance.

"I went in with no knowledge of dancing, and it has been a great learning experience for me," senior Joshua Lenon said. "It is one of the things I make time for."

The Swingers had two divisions: open and performance group. The open group was available to anyone interested in learning various dances, while auditions were held for the members of the performance group. The performance group was originally started as entertainment for the half time of Lakeside Revue, but it had recently turned into a way to educate the public.

Co-president Anne Tagensteher had been a member of University Swingers since its beginning. She started without any real experience, but eventually became a member of the performance group.

The performance group practiced three hours a week and volunteered its time at special events. The group also put on an educational performance for the elderly at a retirement home in Kirksville.

The Funds Allotment Council enabled the Swingers to hold four dances on campus. According to Hutcheson, about 150 to 200 people attended each dance.

"Swingers has brought a lot of different people together," Tagensteher said. "People can take the steps learned, wherever they go, even on to more dance classes."

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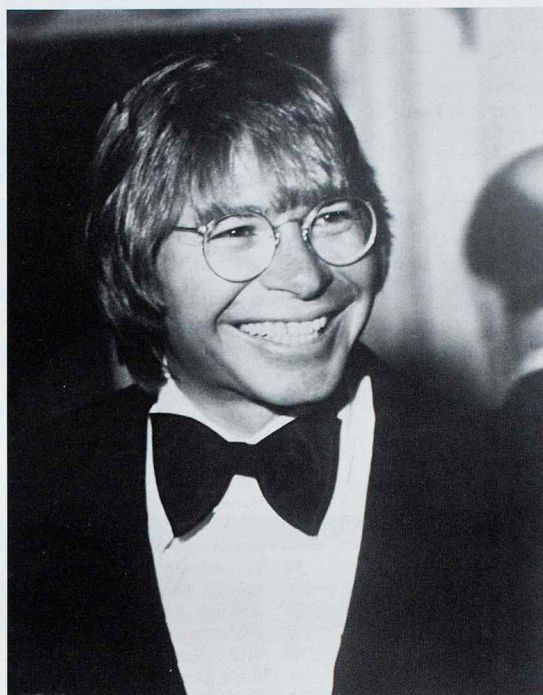
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Britain and the world bid farewell to Diana, Princess of Wales on Aug. 31. She died in a car crash in Paris. She left behind her sons, William and Harry, and a country that mourned her passing. (AP photo)



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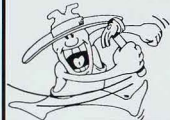
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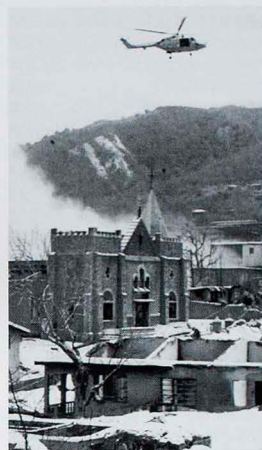
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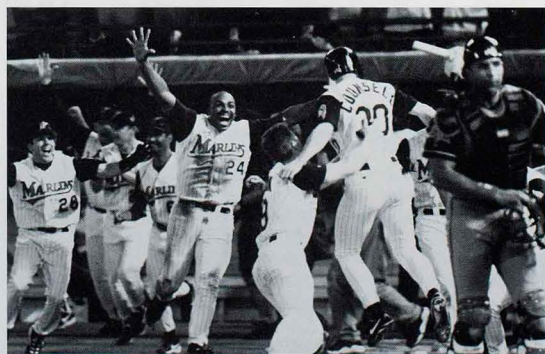
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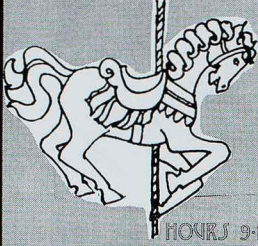
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United States Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright was the most visible and active secretary of state since Henry Kissinger. She was the highest ranking woman in the history of the U.S. government, and she was admired and respected by diplomatic corps. (AP photo)

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I want to thank you all for the past year. You have all given a lot of your time and energy to the Echo, and you have helped make lasting memories. Even when times were tough and deadlines were looming, you held in there for the good of the team.

I will miss my "Home away from Home" in the Echo office. I probably won't miss the computer problems or the extreme temperatures, but I will miss the dancing, the laughing, the lunches, the FreeCell games, Echo Elves, the Echo Awards, and most of all, the people who have been a part of the team the past four years.

Thank you to everyone who kept a good attitude and continued to make all the hard work fun. I want to give a special thanks to everyone who went beyond the call of duty. Thanks also to Kate and Jill for stepping up when others stepped down. Thanks to the photographers and organizations staff for trying to take on way too big a project. Thanks especially to Jen Adams, who was with me until the bitter end and never said no when I needed help.

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A group of students gets together to play their drums on a warm day. A large crowd of students gathered to watch the group play. The drums could be heard all over campus. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Matt Braun, Board of Governors Representative, and Student Senate President Kirk McCarty cut the ribbon to officially open the Student Recreation Center in August. Admission to the Rec Center was free to all students, faculty and staff. It included an indoor track, nautilus equipment, free weights, an aerobics room and four courts. (photo by Hemal Patel)



Another year of choices and decisions came to an end. We were led down many paths throughout our time at Truman State University. Taking our finals and saying goodbye to one more year was difficult, but we knew that many of our

paths would cross again. Unfortunately, there were some choices that seemed to be made for us, ones that were not left up to us. Too many friends and mentors that we were close to left us this year to begin a journey unknown to us. It was not our choice to lose those close to us, but the values and ideals we saw them live out would help us make our decisions for the future. We were determined to live out our lives more fully and make the choices that those lost to us could never do again. They lived through us, and we would not let them be forgotten easily. They would forever be a part of Truman State University.

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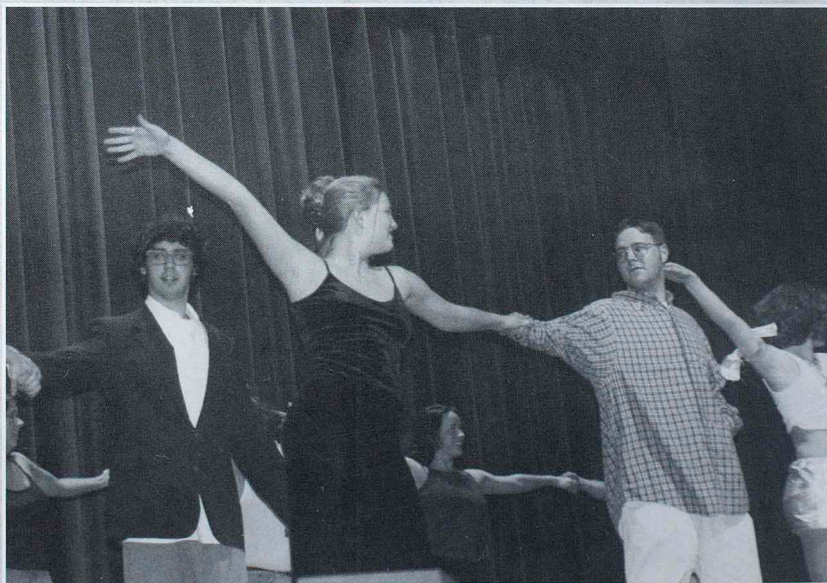


Sophomore Emily McCluhan studies for her finals outside the Student Union Building on a warm spring day. The end of the spring semester brought many students outdoors to enjoy the rare, warm weather in Kirksville. In addition to studying outdoors, students could be found playing Frisbee and walking dogs on campus. (photo by Tina Patel)



Freshman David Ilardi rides a bull as Student Activities Board Member Brian Beall watches at Dog Days in April. SAB members supervised the rides for the day. Campus organizations sponsored booths with games and food. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

Members of Tau Kappa Epsilon and Phi Kappa Theta social fraternities and Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority dance during their skit at Lakeside Revue. Their skit was called "The Spirit of Lakeside." The theme for Lakeside was It was a Dark and Stormy Night. (photo by Tina Patel)



One great thing about Truman State University was that the choices and decisions to be made never ended. As some of us spent our last days at Truman and in Kirksville ever, we knew that new faces would take our places next year. We would carry on this

theme, just as we carried it on for those who came before us. For those of us who had finished our time at Truman, the choices that stood in our future were limitless. With the help of the University, our friends and our families, we could go anywhere and do anything. Some of us chose to go on to graduate schools, while others of us decided to put our talents to work in the "real world." Hopefully, graduating from the "Harvard of the Midwest" would give us the extra edge. Regardless of where we went or what we did, our experiences at Truman State University would stay in our minds, hearts and memories forever.



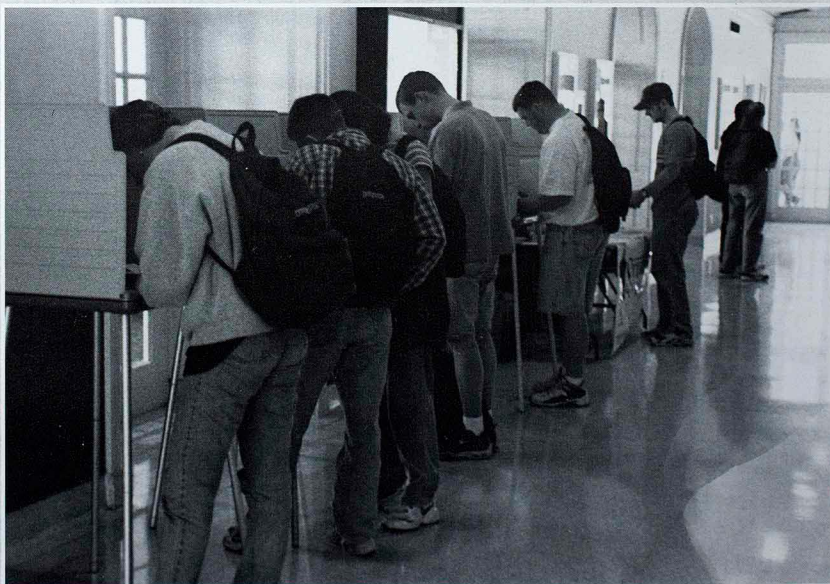
Family and friends gather at Red Barn Park for a picnic on Family Day. The day also included refreshments on the Mall, an address by President Jack Magruder and a Bulldog football game. The additional people brought a lot of money to Kirksville businesses. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

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Students and their families cheer on the Bulldogs at the football game on Family Day. The football team finished 6-3 in the MIAA Conference. The team lost 22 seniors at the end of the season. (photo by Josh Adams)

Students cast their votes at the at the Student Senate elections in the spring. Junior Mike Daming was voted the Senate president for the 1998-99 school year. Elections were held in the fall for incoming students. (photo by Cheri Heiser)



For those of us returning to Kirksville, we had our own choices to make. We had to declare majors, choose courses, find roommates, look for internships and eventually begin searching for a job. For each of us individually, Truman meant something

different. On the Truman campus, though, we came together under one identity. This identity we took out into the world with us, and it reflected on everyone we met and everything we did. Our images constantly changed with every decision we made throughout our time at Truman State University. No matter what decisions we made with our future, they were decisions affected by our time at Truman and the experiences we treasured. Our Truman experience was a part of us we did not lose when we left Kirksville. We were forever a part of Truman State University, and Truman would forever be a part of us.



Mark Shanley, dean of student affairs, congratulates Anne Moody, associate professor of chemistry. Moody was named Educator of the Year after having been a finalist for five years. She received the award at a banquet in the Georgian Room in April. (photo by Cheri Heiser)

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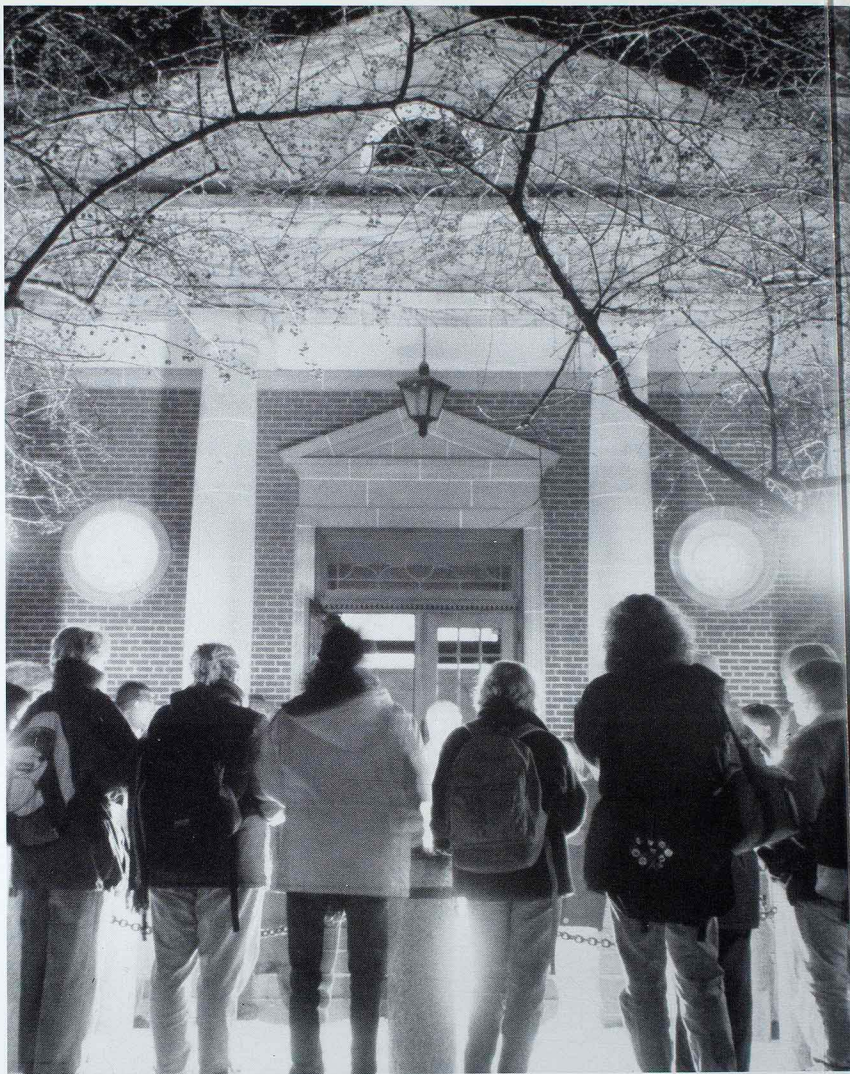


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